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1:1 All wisdom cometh from the Lord, and is with him for ever.

1:2 Who can number the sand of the sea, and the drops of rain, and the days of eternity?

1:3 Who can find out the height of heaven, and the breadth of the earth, and the deep, and wisdom?

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1:4 Wisdom hath been created before all things, and the understanding of prudence from everlasting.

1:5 The word of God most high, is the fountain of **wisdom**, and her ways are everlasting commandments.

1:6 To whom hath the root of **wisdom** been revealed? or

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**who hath known
her wise counsels?
1:7 Unto whom hath
the knowledge of
wisdom been made
manifest? and who
hath understood her
great experience?**

**1:8 There is one
wise and greatly
to be feared;
the Lord sitting
upon his throne.
1:9 He created her,
and saw her, and**

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**numbered her, and
poured her out
upon all his works.**

1:10 She is with all
flesh according to
his gift, and he
hath given her to
them that love him.

**1:11 The fear of the
Lord** is honor, and
glory, and gladness,
and a crown
of rejoicing.

**1:12 The fear of
the Lord** maketh

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**a merry heart, and
giveth joy and
gladness, and
a long life.**

**1: 13 Who so feareth
the Lord, it shall go
well with him at the
last, and he shall
find favor in the
day of his death.**

**1: 14 To fear the Lord,
is the beginning of
wisdom: and it was
created with the
faithful in the womb.**

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1:15 She hath built
an everlasting
foundation with
men, and she shall
continue with
their seed.

1:16 To fear the
Lord, is fullness
of wisdom, and
filleth men with
her fruits.

1:17 She filleth
all their house with
things desirable,
and the garner

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with her increase.

1:18 The fear of the Lord is a crown of wisdom, making peace and perfect health to flourish, both which are the gifts of God: and it enlargeth their

1:19 Wisdom raineth down skill and knowledge of understanding, and exalteth them to honour that

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hold her fast.

**1:20 The root
of wisdom**

**is to fear the Lord,
and the branches
thereof are long life.**

**1:21 The fear
of the Lord**

**driveth away sins:
and where it is
present, it turneth
away wrath.**

**1:22 A furious man
cannot be justified,
for the sway of his**

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**fury shall be his
destruction.**

**1:23 A patient man
will bear for a time,
and afterward joy
shall spring up
unto him.**

**1:24 He will hide
his words for a time,
and the lips of
many shall declare
his wisdom.**

**1:25 The parables
of knowledge are in
the treasures of**

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wisdom: but
godliness is an
abomination to a
sinner. **1:26** If thou
desire **wisdom**, keep
the commandments,
and the Lord shall
give her unto thee.

1:27 For **the**
fear of the
Lord is **wisdom**,
and instruction:
and faith and
meekness are
his delight.

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**1:28 Distrust
not the fear
of the Lord
when thou art
poor: and come
not unto him with
a double heart.**

**1:29 Be not an
hypocrite
in the sight of
men, and take
good heed what
thou speakest.**

**1:30 Exalt not thy
self, lest thou fall,**

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**and bring dishonor
upon thy soul, and
so God discover
thy secrets, and
cast thee down
in the midst of
the congregation,
because thou
camest not
in truth,
to the fear
of the Lord:
but thy
heart is full
of deceit.**

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**2:1 My son,
if thou come to
serve the Lord,
prepare thy soul
for temptation.**

**2:2 Set thy heart
aright, and
constantly endure,
and make not haste
in time of trouble.**

**2:3 Cleave unto
him, and depart not
away, that thou**

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**mayest be increased
at thy last end.**

**2:4 Whatsoever is
brought upon thee,
take cheerfully,
and be patient when
thou art changed to
a low estate.**

**2:5 For gold is tried
in the fire,
and acceptable
men in the furnace
of adversity.**

2:6 Believe in him,

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**and he will help thee,
order thy way aright,
and trust in him.**

**2:7 Ye that fear the
Lord, wait for his
mercy, and go not
aside, lest ye fall.**

**2:8 Ye that fear the
Lord, believe him,
and your reward
shall not fail.**

**2:9 Ye that fear the
Lord, hope for good,
and for everlasting joy
and mercy.**

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2: 10 Look at the generations of old, and see, did ever any trust in the Lord, and was confounded? or did any abide in his fear, and was forsaken? or whom did he ever despise, that called upon him? **2: 11** For the Lord is full of compassion, and mercy, longsuffering, and very pitiful, and

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**forgiveth sins, and
saveth in time of
affliction.**

**2:12 Woe be to
fearful hearts, and
faint hands, and the
sinner that
goeth two ways.**

**2:13 Woe unto him
that is faint hearted,
for he believeth not,
therefore shall he not
be defended. 2:14 Woe
unto you that have
lost patience: and**

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**what will ye do when
the Lord shall visit
you? ^{2:}**15** They that**

**fear the
Lord, will not disobey
his word, and they
that love him, will
keep his ways.**

^{2:}16** They that **fear
the Lord**, will seek that
which is well pleasing
unto him, and
they that love him,
shall be
filled with the law.**

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2: 17 They that **fear**
the Lord, will
prepare their hearts,
and humble their
souls in his sight:

2: 18 Saying,
we will fall into
the hands of the
Lord, and not into
the hands of men:
for as his
majesty is,
so is his mercy.

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3:1 Hear me your father, O children, and do thereafter, that ye may be safe.

3:2 For the Lord hath given the father honour over the children, and hath confirmed the authority of the mother over the sons.

3:3 Who so honoureth his father, maketh an

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**atonement for
his sins.**

**3:4 And he that
honoureth
his mother, is as
one that layeth up
treasure.**

**3:5 Who so honoureth
his father, shall
have joy
of his own children,
and when he
maketh his
prayer, he shall
be heard.**

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3:6 He that honoureth his father, shall have a long life, and he that is obedient unto the Lord, shall be a comfort to his mother.

3:7 He that feareth the Lord, will honour his father, and will do service unto his parents, as to his masters. 3:8 Honor thy father and mother, both in word and

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**deed, that a blessing
may come upon thee
from them. ^{3:9} For the
blessing of the father
establisheth the
houses of children,
but the curse of the
mother rooteth out
foundations.**

**^{3:10} Glory not in the
dishonor of thy father,
for thy fathers
dishonor is no
glory unto thee.**

^{3:11} For the glory

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**of a man,
is from the honour
of his father, and a
mother in dishonor,
is a reproach
to the children.**

**3:12 My son, help thy
father in his age, and
grieve him not as long
as he liveth. 3:13 And if
his **understanding** fail,
have patience with
him, and despise him
not, when thou art in
thy full strength.**

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3:14 For the relieving
of thy father shall
not be forgotten:
and in stead of sins
it shall be added to
build thee up.

3:15 In the day of
thine affliction it shall
be remembered, thy
sins also shall melt
away, as the ice in the
fair warm weather.

3:16 He that forsaketh
his father, is as a
blasphemer, and he

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that angereth his mother, is cursed of God. ^{3:}17 My son, go on with thy business in meekness, so shalt thou be beloved of him that is approved. ^{3:}18 The greater thou art, the more humble thy self, and thou shalt find favor before the Lord. ^{3:}19 Many are in high place and of renown: but **mysteries are**

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**revealed unto
the meek.**

**3:20 For the power of
the Lord is great, and
he is honored of the
lowly. 3:21 Seek not
out the things that are
too hard for thee,
neither search the
things that are above
thy strength. 3:22 But
what is commanded
thee, think thereupon
with reverence, for it
is not needful for thee,**

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**to see with thine eyes,
the things that are in
secret. ³:23 Be not
curious in
unnecessary matters:
for more things are
shewed unto thee,
than men understand.**

**³:24 For many are
deceived by their own
vain opinion, and an
evil suspicion hath
overthrown their
judgment. ³:25 Without
eyes thou shalt want**

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**light: profess not the
knowledge therefore
that thou
hast not.**

**3:26 A stubborn heart
shall fare evil at the
last; and he that
loveth danger shall
perish therein.**

**3:27 An obstinate heart
shall be laden with
sorrows, and the
wicked man shall
heap sin upon sin.**

3:28 In the punishment

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**of the proud there is
no remedy: for the
plant of wickedness
hath taken root in him.**

**3:29 The heart of the
prudent will
understand a parable,
and an
attentive ear is the
desire of a wise man.**

**3:30 Water will quench
a flaming fire, and
alms maketh an
attonement
for sins.**

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3:31 And he that
requiteth good turns,
is mindful
of that which
may come hereafter:
and when
he falleth
he shall find a stay.

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4:1 My son, defraud
not the poor of his
living, and make not
the needy eyes to wait

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long.

4:2 Make not an hungry soul sorrowful, neither provoke a man in his distress.

4:3 Add not more trouble to a heart that is vexed, and defer not to give to him that is in need.

4:4 Reject not the supplication of the afflicted, neither turn away thy face from a poor man.

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**4:5 Turn not away
thine eye from the
needy, and give him
none occasion to
curse thee:**

**4:6 For if he curse thee
in the bitterness of his
soul, his prayer shall
be heard of him
that made him.**

**4:7 Get thy self the
love of the
congregation,
and bow thy head
to a great man.**

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4:8 Let it not grieve thee to bow down thine ear to the poor, and give him a friendly answer with meekness.

4:9 Deliver him that suffreth wrong, from the hand of the oppressor, and be not faint hearted when thou sittest in judgment.

4:10 Be as a father unto the fatherless,

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and instead of a husband unto their mother, so shalt thou be as the son of the most high, and he shall love thee more than thy mother doeth.

4:11 Wisdom exalteth her children, and layeth hold of them that seek her.

4:12 He that loveth her, loveth life, and they that seek to her early, shall be filled with joy.

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4:13 He that holdeth
her fast shall inherit
glory, and
wheresoever she
entreth, the Lord will
bless. **4:14** They that
serve her shall
minister to the Holy
one, and them that
love her, the Lord
doth love.

4:15 Who so giveth ear
unto her, shall judge
the nations, and he
that attendeth unto

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**her, shall dwell
securely. 4:16 If a man
commit himself unto
her, he shall inherit
her, and his
generation shall hold
her in possession.**

**4:17 For at the first she
will walk with him by
crooked ways, and
bring fear and dread
upon him, and torment
him with her
discipline, until she
may trust his soul,**

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**and try him
by her laws.**

**4:18 Then will she
return the straight
way unto him, and
comfort him, and
shew him her secrets.**

**4:19 But if he go
wrong, she will
forsake him, and give
him over to his own
ruin. 4:20 Observe the
opportunity, and
beware of evil,
and be not**

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**ashamed when it
concerneth thy soul.**

**4:21 For there is a
shame that bringeth
sin, and there is a
shame which is glory
and grace. 4:22 Accept
no person against thy
soul, and let not the
reverence of any man
cause thee to fall:**

**4:23 And refrain not to
speak, when there is
occasion to do good,**

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**and hide not thy
wisdom in her beauty.**

**4:24 For by speech
wisdom shall be
known, and learning
by the word of the
tongue. 4:25 In no wise
speak against the
truth, but be abashed
of the error of thine
ignorance. 4:26 Be not
ashamed to confess
thy sins, and force not
the course of the river.
4:27 Make not thy self**

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an underling to a foolish man, neither accept the person of the mighty. ^{4:}28 Strive for the truth unto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee.

^{4:}29 Be not hasty in thy tongue, and in thy deeds slack and remiss. ^{4:}30 Be not as a lion in thy house, nor frantic among thy servants. ^{4:}31 Let not thine hand be



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**stretched out to
receive, and shut
when thou shouldest
repay.**

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5:1 Set not thy heart upon thy goods, and say not, I have enough for my life.

5:2 Follow not thine own mind, and thy strength,

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**to walk in the
ways of thy
heart:**

5:3 And say not, Who shall control me for my works? for the Lord will surely revenge thy **pride.**

5:4 Say not, I have sinned, and what harm hath happened unto me? for the Lord is long suffering, he will in no wise let thee

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go. 5:5 Concerning propitiation, be not without fear to add sin unto sin.

5:6 And say not, His mercy is great, he will be pacified for the multitude of my sins: for mercy and wrath come from him, and his indignation resteth upon sinners.

5:7 Make no tarrying to turn to the Lord, and put not off from

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day to day: for suddenly shall the wrath of the Lord come forth, and in thy security thou shalt be destroyed, and perish in the day of vengeance.

5:8 Set not thy heart upon goods unjustly gotten: for they shall not profit thee in the day of calamity.

5:9 Winnow not with every wind,

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**and go not into
every way:
for so doth the
sinner that hath a
double tongue.**

**5:10 Be steadfast in
thy understanding,
and let thy word be
the same.**

**5:11 Be swift to
hear, and let thy life
be sincere, and
with patience give**

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answer.

5:12 If thou hast understanding, answer thy neighbour, if not, lay thy hand upon thy mouth. 5:13 Honor and shame is in talk; and the tongue of man is his fall.

5:14 Be not called a whisperer, and lie not in wait with thy tongue: for a foul shame is upon the

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**thief, and an evil
condemnation upon
the double tongue.**

**5:15 Be not ignorant of
any thing, in a great
matter or a small.**

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**6:1 In stead of a friend,
become not an
enemy; for thereby
thou shalt inherit an ill
name, shame, and
reproach: even so**

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**shall a sinner that
hatha double tongue.**

**6:2 Extol not thy self in
the counsel of thine
own heart, that thy
soul be not torn in
pieces as a
bull straying alone.**

**6:3 Thou shalt eat up
thy leaves, and lose
thy fruit, and leave
thy self as a dry tree.**

**6:4 A wicked soul shall
destroy him that hath
it, and shall make him**

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**to be laughed to
scorn of his enemies.**

**6:5 Sweet language
will multiply friends:
and a fair speaking
tongue will increase
kind greetings.**

**6:6 Be in peace with
many: nevertheless
have but one
counselor of
a thousand.**

**6:7 If thou wouldst get
a friend, prove him
first, and be not hasty**

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to credit him.

6:8 For some man is a friend for his own occasion, and will not abide in the day of thy trouble.

6:9 And there is a friend, who being turned to enmity, and strife, will discover thy reproach.

6:10 Again some friend is a companion at the table, and will not continue in the day

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of thy affliction.

**6:11 But in thy
prosperity he will
be as thy self,
and will be bowled
over thy servants.**

**6:12 If thou be brought
low, he will be against
thee, and will hide
himself from thy face.**

**6:13 Separate thy self
from thine enemies,
and take heed
of thy friends.**

6:14 A faithful friend

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**is a strong defense:
and he that hath
found such an one,
hath found a treasure.**

**6:15 Nothing doth
countervail a faithful
friend, and his
excellency is
invaluable.**

**6:16 A faithful friend is
the medicine of life,
and they that fear the
Lord shall find him.**

**6:17 Who so feareth
the Lord shall direct**

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**his friendship aright,
for as he is, so shall
hisneighbour be also.**

**6:18 My son, gather
instruction from thy
youth up: so shalt
thou find wisdom till
thine old age.**

**6:19 Come unto her as
one that ploweth, and
soweth, and wait for
her good fruits, for
thou shalt not
toil much in labouring
about her, but thou**

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**shalt eat of her fruits
right soon.**

**6:20 She is very
unpleasant to the
unlearned: he that
is without
understanding,
will not remain with
her. 6:21 She will lie
upon him as a mighty
stone of trial,
and he will cast
her from him ere
it be long.**

6:22 For wisdom

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**is according to
her name,
and she is not
manifest unto many.**

**^{6:}23 Give ear, my son,
receive my advice,
and refuse not my
counsel, ^{6:}24 And put
thy feet into her
fetters, and thy
neck into her chain.**

**^{6:}25 Bow down
thy shoulder, and
bear her, and be
not grieved with**

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her bonds.

**6:26 Come unto her
with thy whole heart,
and keep her ways
with all thy power.**

**6:27 Search and seek,
and she shall be made
known unto thee, and
when thou hast got
hold of her, let her not
go. 6:28 For at the last
thou shalt find her
rest, and that shall be
turned to thy joy.**

6:29 Then shall her

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fetters be a strong defense for thee, and her chains a robe of glory. ⁶:30 For there is a golden ornament upon her, and her bands are purple lace. ⁶:31 Thou shalt put her on as a robe of honour: and shalt put her about thee as a crown of joy. ⁶:32 My son, if thou wilt, thou shalt be taught: and if thou wilt apply thy

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mind, thou shalt be prudent. ⁶:33 If thou love to hear, thou shalt receive **understanding**: and if thou bow thine ear, thou shalt be **wise**.

⁶:34 Stand in the multitude of the elders, and cleave unto him that is **wise**.

⁶:35 Be willing to hear every godly discourse, and let not the parables of

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understanding escape thee. ⁶:36 And if thou seest a man of **understanding**, get thee betimes unto him, and let thy foot wear the steps of his door. ⁶:37 Let thy mind be upon the ordinances of the Lord, and meditate continually in his commandments: he shall establish thine

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heart, and give thee
wisdom at thine
own desire.

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7:1 Do no evil, so shall
no harm come unto
thee. **7:2** Depart from
the unjust, and
iniquity shall turn
away from thee.

7:3 My son, sow not
upon the furrows of
unrighteousness, and

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**thou shalt not reap
them seven fold.**

**7:4 Seek not of the
Lord preeminence,
neither of the King
the seat of honor.**

**7:5 Justify not thyself
before the Lord, and
boast not of thy
wisdom before the
king. 7:6 Seek not to
be judge, being not
able to take away
iniquity, lest at any**

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**time thou fear the
person of the
mighty, and lay a
stumblingblock in
the way of thy
uprightness.**

**7:7 Offend not against
the multitude of a city,
and then thou shalt
not cast thyself down
among the people.**

**7:8 Bind not one sin
upon another, for in
one thou shalt not be
unpunished. 7:9 Say**

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not, God will look upon the multitude of my oblations, and when I offer to the most High God, he will accept it. ⁷:10 Be not faint hearted when thou makest thy prayer, and neglect not to give alms.

⁷:11 Laugh no man to scorn in the bitterness of his soul: for there is one which humbleth and exalteth.

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7:12 Devise not a lie against thy brother: neither do the like to thy friend. 7:13 Use not to make any manner of lie: for the custom thereof is not good.

7:14 Use not many words in a multitude of Elders, and make not much babbling when thou prayest.

7:15 Hate not laborious work, neither husbandry, which

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**the most High hath
ordained. 7:16 Number
not thyself among the
multitude of sinners,
but remember that
wrath will not tarry
long. 7:17 Humble thy
soul greatly: for the
vengeance of the
ungodly is fire and
worms. 7:18 Change
not a friend for any
good by no means:
neither a faithful
brother for the gold of**

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**Ophir. 7:19 Forego not
a **wise** and good
woman: for her grace
is above gold.**

**7:20 Whereas thy
servant worketh truly,
entreat him not evil,
nor the hireling that
bestoweth himself
wholly for thee.**

**7:21 Let thy soul love
a good servant, and
defraud him not of
liberty. 7:22 Hast thou
cattle? have an eye to**

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**them, and if they be
for thy profit, keep
them with thee.**

**⁂:23 Hast thou
children? instruct
them, and bow down
their neck from their
youth. ⁂:24 Hast thou
daughters? have care
of their body, and
shew not thyself
cheerful toward them.**

**⁂:25 Marry thy
daughter, and so shalt
thou have performed a**

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**weighty matter: but
give her to a man of
understanding.**

**7:26 Hast thou a wife
after thy mind?**

**forsake her not, but
give not thyself over
to a light woman.**

**7:27 Honor thy father
with thy whole heart,
and forget not
the sorrows of
thy mother.**

**7:28 Remember that
thou wast begot of**

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them, and how canst thou recom-pense them the things that they have done for thee? 7:29 Fear the Lord with all thy soul, and reverence his priests. 7:30 Love him that made thee with all thy strength, and forsake not his ministers. 7:31 Fear the Lord, and honour the priest: and give him his portion, as it

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**is commanded thee,
the first fruits, and the
trespass offering, and
the gift of the
shoulders, and the
sacrifice of
sanctification, and the
first fruits of the holy
things. 7:32 And
stretch thine hand
unto the poor, that thy
blessing may be
perfected. 7:33 A gift
hath grace in the sight
of every man living,**

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**and for the dead
detain it not. 7:34 Fail
not to be with them
that weep, and mourn
with them that mourn.**

**7:35 Be not slow to
visit the sick: for that
shall make thee to be
beloved.**

**7:36 Whatsoever thou
takest in hand,
remember
the end, and thou
shalt never do amiss.**

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8:1 Strive not with a mighty man, lest thou fall into his hands.

8:2 Be not at variance with a rich man, lest he overweigh thee: for gold hath destroyed many, and perverted the hearts of kings.

8:3 Strive not with a man that is full of tongue, and heap not wood upon his fire.

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8:4 Jest not with a rude man, lest thy ancestors be disgraced.

8:5 Reproach not a man that turneth from sin, but remember that we are all worthy of punishment.

8:6 Dishonor not a man in his old age: for even some of us wax old.

8:7 Rejoice not over thy greatest enemy being dead, but

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**remember that we
die all.**

**8:8 Despise not the
discourse of the wise,
but acquaint thyself
with their proverbs;
for of them thou shalt
learn instruction, and
how to serve great
men with ease.**

**8:9 Miss not the
discourse of the
elders: for they also
learned of their
fathers, and of them**

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**thou shalt learn
understanding, and to
give answer as need
requireth. ^{8:}10 Kindle
not the coals of a
sinner, lest thou be
burnt with the flame of
his fire. ^{8:}11 Rise not
up (in anger) at the
presence of an
injurious person, least
he lie in wait to entrap
thee in thy words.
^{8:}12 Lend not unto him
that is mightier than**

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**thyself; for if thou
lendest him, count it
but lost. ^{8:}13 Be not
surety above thy
power: for if thou be
surety, take care to
pay it. ^{8:}14 Go not to
law with a judge, for
they will judge for him
according to his
honour. ^{8:}15 Travel not
by the way with a bold
fellow, least he
become grievous unto
thee: for he will do**

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according to his own will, and thou shalt perish with him through his folly.

8: 16 Strive not with an angry man, and go not with him into a solitary place: for blood is as nothing in his sight, and where there is no help, he will overthrow thee.

8: 17 Consult not with a fool; for he cannot keep counsel.

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**8: 18 Do no secret
thing before a
stranger, for
thou knowest
not what he
will bring forth.**

**8: 19 Open not
thine heart to
every man,
least he
requite thee
with
a shrewd turn.**

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9:1 Be not jealous over the wife of thy bosom, and teach her not an evil lesson against thyself. 9:2 Give not thy soul unto a woman, to set her foot upon thy substance. 9:3 Meet not with an harlot, least thou fall into her snares. 9:4 Use not much the company of a woman that is a singer, least thou be taken with her

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attempts. ^{9:5} Gaze not on a maid, that thou not by those things, that are precious in her. ^{9:6} Give not thy soul unto harlots, that thou lose not thine inheritance. ^{9:7} Look not round about thee, in the streets of the city, neither wander thou in the solitary places thereof. ^{9:8} Turn away thine eye from a beautiful

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woman, and look not upon anothers beauty: for many have been deceived by the beauty of a woman, for herewith love is kindled as a fire. ⁹:9 Sit not at all with another mans wife, nor sit down with her in thine arms, and spend not thy money with her at the wine, least thine heart incline unto her, and so thorough thy

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**desire thou fall into
destruction.**

**9: 10 Forsake not an old
friend, for the new is
not comparable to
him: a new friend is as
new wine: when it is
old, thou shalt drink it
with pleasure.**

**9: 11 Envy not the glory
of a sinner: for thou
knowest not what
shall be his end.**

**9: 12 Delight not in the
thing that the ungodly**

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have pleasure in, but remember they shall not go unpunished unto their grave.

9: 13 Keep thee far from the man that hath power to kill, so shalt thou not doubt the fear of death: and if thou come unto him, make no fault, least he take away thy life presently: remember that thou goest in the midst of snares, and

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**that thou walkest
upon the battlements
of the city. ^{9:}14 As near
as thou canst, guess
at thy neighbour, and
consult with the wise.**

**^{9:}15 Let thy talk be
with the wise, and all
thy communication in
the law of the most
high. ^{9:}16 And let just
men eat and drink
with thee, and let thy
glorying be in the
fear of the Lord.**

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9: 17 For the hand
of the artificer, the
work shall be
commended: and the
wise ruler of the
people, for his
speech.

9: 18 A man of an ill
tongue is dangerous
in his city, and he
that is rash in
his talk
shall be hated.

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10:1 A wise judge will instruct his people, and the government of a prudent man is well ordered. 10:2 As the judge of the people is himself, so are his officers, and what manner of man the ruler of the city is, such are all they that dwell therein. 10:3 An unwise king destroyeth his people, but through the

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**prudence of them
which are in authority,
the city shall be
inhabited. ^{10:}4**

**The
power of the earth is
in the hand of the
Lord, and in due time
he will set over it one
that is profitable.**

**^{10:}5 In the hand of God
is the prosperity of
man: and upon the
person of the scribe
shall he lay his
honour. ^{10:}6 Bear not**

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**hatred to thy
neighbour for every
wrong, and do nothing
at all by injurious
practices. ^{10:7} **Pride** is
hateful before God,
and man: and by both
doeth one commit
iniquity. ^{10:8} **Because**
of unrighteous
dealings, injuries, and
riches got by deceit,
the kingdom is
translated from one
people to another.**

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10: 9 Why is earth and ashes proud? There is not a more wicked thing, than a covetous man: for such an one setteth his own soul to sale, because while he liveth, he casteth away his bowels.

10: 10 The physician cutteth off a long disease, and he that is to day a king, to morrow shall die.

10: 11 For when a man

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is dead, he shall inherit creeping things, beasts and worms. ^{10:}12 The beginning of **pride** is, when one departeth from God, and his heart is turned away from his maker.

^{10:}13 **For pride is the beginning of sin, and he that hath it, shall pour out abomination: and therefore the Lord brought upon them**

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**strange calamities,
and overthrew them
utterly.** ^{10:}**14** The Lord

**hath cast down the
thrones of proud
princes, and setup the
meek in their stead.**

^{10:}**15** The Lord hath
plucked up the roots
of the **proud** nations:
and planted the lowly
in their place. ^{10:}**16** The
Lord overthrew
countries of the
heathen: and

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destroyed them to the foundations of the earth. ^{10:}17 He took some of them away, and destroyed them, and hath made their memorial to cease from the earth.

^{10:}18 Pride was not made for men, nor furious anger for them that are borne of a woman. ^{10:}19 They that fear the Lord are a sure seed, and they

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that love him, an honorable plant: they that regard not the Law, are a dishonorable seed, they that transgress the commandments, are a deceivable seed.

^{10:}20 Among brethren he that is chief is honorable, so are they that fear the Lord in his eyes. ^{10:}21 The fear of the Lord goeth before the obtaining

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of authority: but roughness and pride, is the losing thereof.

^{10:}22 Whether he be rich, noble, or poor, their glory is the fear of the Lord. ^{10:}23 It is not meet to despise the poor man that hath understanding, neither is it convenient to magnify a sinful man.

^{10:}24 Great men, and judges, and potentates shall be

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honored, yet is there none of them greater than he that feareth the Lord. ^{10:}25 Unto the servant that is wise, shall they that are free do service: and he that hath knowledge, will not grudge when he is reformed. ^{10:}26 Be not overwise in doing thy business, and boast not thyself in the time of thy distress.

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10:27 Better is he that laboreth and aboundeth in all things, than he that boasteth himself, and wanteth bread.

10:28 My son, glorify thy soul in meekness, and give it honour according to the dignity thereof.

10:29 Who will justify him that sinneth against his own soul? and who will honour

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him that dishonoreth
his own life? ^{10:}30 The
poor man is honored
for his skill, and the
rich man is honored
for his riches. ^{10:}31 He
that is honored in
poverty, how much
more in riches? And
he that is
dishonorable in
riches, how much
more in poverty?

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11:1 Wisdom lifteth up the head of him that is of low degree, and maketh him to sit among great men.

11:2 Commend not a man for his beauty, neither abhor a man for his outward appearance. **11:3** The bee is little among such as fly, but her fruit is the chief of sweet things.

11:4 Boast not of thy

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**clothing and raiment,
and exalt not thyself
in the day of honour:
for the works of the
Lord are wonderful,
and his works among
men are hidden.**

**^{11:}5 Many kings have
sit down upon the
ground, and one that
was never thought of,
hath worn the crown.**

**^{11:}6 Many mighty men
have been greatly
disgraced: and the**

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**honourable delivered
into other men's
hands. ^{11:}7 Blame not
before thou hast
examined the truth:
understand first, and
then rebuke.**

**^{11:}8 Answer not, before
thou hast heard the
cause: neither
interrupt men in the
midst of their talk.**

**^{11:}9 Strive not in a
matter that
concerneth thee not:**

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**and sit not in
judgement with
sinners. ^{11:}10 My son,
meddle not with many
matters: for if thou
meddle much, thou
shalt not be innocent:
and if thou follow
after, thou shalt not
obtain, neither shalt
thou escape by flying.
^{11:}11 There is one that
laboureth and taketh
pains, and maketh
haste, and is so much**

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the more behind.

^{11:}12 Again, there is another that is slow, and hath need of help, wanting ability, and full of poverty, yet the eye of the Lord looked upon him for good, and set him up from his low estate,

^{11:}13 And lifted up his head from misery, so that many that saw it, marvelled at him.

^{11:}14 Prosperity and

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adversity, life and death, poverty and riches, come of the Lord.

¹¹: 15 Wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of the Law, are of the Lord: love, and the way of good works, are from him. ¹¹: 16 Error and darkness had their beginning together with sinners: and evil shall wax old with

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**them that glory
therein.** ^{11:}17 The gift of
the Lord remaineth
with the godly, and his
favor bringeth
prosperity for ever.

^{11:}18 There is that
waxeth rich by his
wariness, and
pinching, and this is
the portion of his
reward: ^{11:}19 Whereas
he saith, I have found
rest, and now will eat
continually of my

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goods, and yet he knoweth not what time shall come upon him, and that he must leave those things to others, and die. ¹¹:20 Be stedfast in thy covenant, and be conversant therein, and wax old in thy work. ¹¹:21 Marvel not at the works of sinners, but trust in the Lord, and abide in thy labor: for it is an

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**easy thing in the sight
of the Lord, on the
sudden to make a
poor man rich.**

**¹¹:22 The blessing of
the Lord is in the
reward of the godly,
and suddenly he
maketh his blessing to
flourish. ¹¹:23 Say not,
what profit is there of
my service? and what
good things shall I
have hereafter?**

¹¹:24 Again, say not, I

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**have enough, and
possess many things;
and what evil can
come to me hereafter?**

**¹¹:25 In the day of
prosperity, there is a
forgetfulness of
affliction: and in the
day of affliction, there
is no remembrance of
prosperity. ¹¹:26 For it
is an easy thing unto
the Lord in the day of
death, to reward a**

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**man according to his
ways.**

**11:27 The affliction of
an hour, maketh a
man forget pleasure:
and in his end, his
deeds shall be
discovered.**

**11:28 Judge none
blessed before his
death: for a man shall
be known in his
children.**

11:29 Bring not every

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**man into thine house,
for the deceitful man
hath many trains.**

**11:30 Like as a partrich
taken and kept in a
cage, so is the heart
of the proud; and
like as a spy,
watcheth he
for thy fall.**

**11:31 For he lieth in
wait, and turneth
good into evil, and in
things worthy praise,
will lay blame**

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upon thee.

**11:32 Of a spark of
fire, a heap of coals
is kindled:**

**and a sinful man
layeth wait for blood.**

**11:33 Take heed of a
mischievous man,
(for he worketh
wickedness) lest he
bring upon thee
a perpetual blot.**

**11:34 Receive a
stranger into thine
house, and**

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**he will disturb thee,
and turn thee out
of thine own.**

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^{12:}1 When thou wilt do
good, know to who
thou doest it, so shalt
thou be thanked for
thy benefits. **^{12:}2** Do
good to the godly
man, and thou shalt
find a recompense,
and if not from him,

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yet from the most high. ^{12:3} There can no good come to him that is always occupied in evil: nor to him that giveth no alms.

^{12:4} Give to the godly man, and help not a sinner. ^{12:5} Do well unto him that is lowly, but give not to the ungodly: hold back thy bread, and give it not unto him, lest he overmaster thee

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thereby. For e/se thou shalt receive twice as much evil, for all the good thou shalt have done unto him. ^{12:}6 For the most High hateth sinners, and will repay vengeance unto the ungodly, and keepeth them against the mighty day of their punishment. ^{12:}7 Give unto the good, and help not the sinner. ^{12:}8 A friend cannot be

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known in prosperity,
and an **enemy** cannot
be hidden in
adversity. ^{12:}**9** In the
prosperity of a man,
enemies will be
grieved, but in his
adversity, even a
friend will depart.

^{12:}**10** **Never trust
thine enemy:** for
like as iron rusteth, so
is his wickedness.

^{12:}**11** Though he
humble himself, and

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**go crouching, yet take
good heed, and
beware of him, and
thou shalt be unto
him, as if thou hadst
wiped a looking glass,
and thou shalt know
that his rust hath not
been altogether wiped
away. ^{12:} **12** Set him not
by thee, lest when he
hath overthrown thee,
he stand up in thy
place, neither let him
sit at thy right hand,**

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lest he seek to take thy seat, and thou at the last. ^{12:} **13** Who will pity a charmer that is bitten with a serpent, or any such as come nigh wild beasts?

^{12:} **14** So one that goeth to a sinner, and is defiled with him in his sins, who will pity?

^{12:} **15** For a while he will abide with thee, but if thou begin to fall, he will not tarry.

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^{12:}16 An enemy speaketh sweetly with his lips, but in his heart he imagineth how to throw thee into a pit: he will weep with his eyes, but if he find opportunity, he will not be satisfied with blood. **^{12:}17** If adversity come upon thee, thou shalt find him there first, and though he pretend to help thee, yet shall he

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undermine thee.

12:18 He will shake his head and clap his hands, and whisper much, and change his countenance.

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13:1 He that toucheth pitch, shall be defiled therewith, and he that hath fellowship with a proud man, shall be like unto him.

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**13:2 Burden not thyself
above thy power,
while thou livest, and
have no fellowship
with one that is
mightier, and richer
than thyself. For how
agree the kettle and
the earthen pot
together? for if the
one be smitten
against the other, it
shall be broken.**

**13:3 The rich man hath
done wrong, and yet**

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he threatneth withall:
the poor is wronged,
and he must entreat
also. ^{13:}4 **If thou be for
his profit, he will use
thee: but if thou have
nothing, he will
forsake thee.** ^{13:}5 **If
thou have any thing,
he will live with thee,
yea he will make thee
bare, and will not be
sorry for it.** ^{13:}6 **If he
have need of thee, he
will deceive thee, and**

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**smile upon thee, and
put thee in hope, he
will speak thee fair,
and say, What wantest
thou? ^{13:7} And he will**

**shame thee by his
meats, until he have
drawn thee dry twice
or thrice, and at the
last he will laugh thee
to scorn: afterward
when he seeth thee,
he will forsake thee,
and shake his head at
thee. ^{13:8} Beware that**

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**thou be not deceived,
and brought down in
thy jollity. ^{13:}9 If thou
be invited of a mighty
man, withdraw thyself,
and so much the more
will he invite thee.**

**^{13:}10 Press thou not
upon him, lest thou be
put back, stand not far
off, lest thou be
forgotten. ^{13:}11 Affect
not to be made equal
unto him in talk, and
believe not his many**

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words: for with much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling upon thee will get out thy secrets.

13: 12 But cruelly he will lay up thy words, and will not spare to do thee hurt, and to put thee in prison.

13: 13 Observe and take good heed, for thou walkest in peril of thy overthrowing: when thou hearest these

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things, awake in thy sleep. ^{13:}14 Love the Lord all thy life, and call upon him for thy salvation. ^{13:}15 Every beast loveth his like, and every man loveth his neighbour. ^{13:}16 All flesh consorteth according to kind, and a man will cleave to his like: ^{13:}17 **What fellowship hath the wolf with the lamb? so the sinner with the**

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godly. ^{13:}**18** What agreement is there between the hyena and a dog? and what peace between the rich and the poor?

^{13:}**19** As the wild ass is the lions pray in the wilderness: so the rich eat up the poor.

^{13:}**20** As the proud hate humility: so doth the rich abhor the poor.

^{13:}**21** A rich man beginning to fall, is

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**held up of his friends:
but a poor man being
down, is thrust also
away by his friends.**

**13:22 When a rich man
is fallen, he hath many
helpers: he speaketh
things not to be
spoken, and yet men
justify him: the poor
man slip, and yet they
rebuked him too: he
spake wisely, and
could have no place.**

13:23 When a rich man

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**speaketh, every man
holdeth his tongue,
and look what he
sayeth, they extol it to
the clouds: but if the
poor man speak, they
say, What fellow is
this? and if he
stumble, they will help
to overthrow him.**

**^{13:}24 Riches are good
unto him that hath no
sin, and poverty is evil
in the mouth of the
ungodly. ^{13:}25 The**

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**heart of a man
changeth his
countenance,
whether it be for
good or evil: and a
merry heart maketh a
cheerful countenance.**

**^{13:}26 A cheerful
countenance is a
token of a heart that
is in prosperity, and
the finding out of
parables, is a
wearisome labor
of the mind.**

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**14:1 Blessed is the man
that hath not slipped
with his mouth, and is
not pricked with the
multitude of sins.**

**14:2 Blessed is he
whose conscience
hath not condemned
him, and who is not
fallen from his
hope in the Lord.**

**14:3 Riches are not
comely for a niggard:**

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and what should an envious man do with money? ^{14:4} He that gathereth by defrauding his own soul, gathereth for others, that shall spend his goods riotously. ^{14:5} He that is evil to himself, to whom will he be good? he shall not take pleasure in his goods. ^{14:6} There is none worse then he

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**that envieth himself;
and this is a
recompense of his
wickedness. ^{14:}7 And if
he doth good, he doth
it unwillingly, and at
the last he will declare
his wickedness.**

**^{14:}8 The envious man
hath a wicked eye, he
turneth away his face
and despiseth men.**

**^{14:}9 A covetous man's
eye is not satisfied
with his portion, and**

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the iniquity of the wicked drieth up his soul. ^{14:}10 A wicked eye envieth *his* bread, and he is a niggard at his table. ^{14:}11 My son, according to thy ability do good to thyself, and give the Lord his due offering. ^{14:}12 Remember that death will not be long in coming, and that the covenant of the grave is not shewed

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unto thee. ^{14:}13 Do good unto thy friend before thou die, and according to thy ability, stretch out thy hand and give to him.

^{14:}14 Defraud not thyself of the good day, and let not the part of a good desire overpass thee.

^{14:}15 Shalt thou not leave thy travails unto another? and thy labors to be divided

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by lot? ^{14:}16 Give, and take, and sanctify thy soul, for there is no seeking of dainties in the grave. ^{14:}17 All

flesh waxeth old as a garment: for the covenant from the beginning is; thou shalt die the death.

^{14:}18 As of the green leaves on a thick tree, some fall, and some grow; so is the generation of flesh

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**and blood, one
cometh to an end, and
another is borne.**

**^{14:}19 Every work
rotteth and consumeth
away, and the worker
thereof shall go
withal. ^{14:}20 Blessed is
the man that doeth
meditate good things
in wisdom, and that
reasoneth of holy
things by his
understanding.
^{14:}21 He that**

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**considereth her ways
in his heart, shall also
have **understanding** in
her secrets.**

**^{14:}22 Go after her
as one that traceth,
and lie in wait
in her ways.**

**^{14:}23 He that prieth
in at her windows,
shall also hearken
at her doors.**

**^{14:}24 He that doeth
lodge near her
house, shall also**

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**fasten a pin
in her walls.**

**^{14:}25 He shall pitch
his tent nigh unto
her, and shall
lodge in a lodging
where good things
are. ^{14:}26 He shall set
his children under her
shelter, and shall
lodge under her
branches. ^{14:}27 By her
he shall be covered
from heat, and in her
glory shall he dwell.**

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15**

15:1 He that feareth
the Lord will do
good, and he that
hath the knowledge
of the Law shall
obtain her.

15:2 And as a mother
shall she meet him,
and receive him
as a wife married
of a virgin.

15:3 With the bread of
understanding shall

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she feed him, and give him the water of wisdom to drink.

15:4 He shall be stayed upon her, and shall not be moved, and shall rely upon her, and shall not be confounded.

15:5 She shall exalt him above his neighbors, and in the midst of the congregation shall she open his mouth.

15:6 He shall find joy,

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and a crown of gladness, and she shall cause him to inherit an everlasting name. ^{15:7} But foolish men shall not attain unto her, and sinners shall not see her.

^{15:8} For she is far from **pride, and men that are liars cannot remember her.**

^{15:9} Praise is not seemly in the mouth of a sinner, for it was

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not sent him of the
Lord: ^{15:}10 For praise
shall be uttered in
wisdom, and the Lord
will prosper it.

^{15:}11 Say not thou, It is
through the Lord, that
I fell away, for thou
oughtest not to do the
things that he hateth.

^{15:}12 Say not thou, He
hath caused me to err,
for he hath no need of
the sinful man.

^{15:}13 **The Lord** hateth

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**all abomination, and
they that fear God
love it not.**

**15:14 He himself
made man from
the beginning,
and left him in
the hand of
his counsel**

**15 If thou wilt, to keep
the commandments,
and to perform**

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**acceptable
faithfulness.**

**15: 16 He hath set fire
and water before
thee: stretch forth
thy hand unto
whether thou wilt.**

**15: 17 Before man is
life and death, and
whether him liketh
shall be given him.**

**15: 18 For the wisdom of
the Lord is great, and
he is mighty in power,
and beholdeth all**

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things, ^{15:}19 And his eyes are upon them that fear him, and he knoweth every work of man.

^{15:}20 He hath commanded no man to do wickedly, neither hath he given any man **license to sin.**

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^{16:}1 Desire not a multitude of unprofitable children, neither delight in ungodly sons.

^{16:}2 Though they multiply, rejoice not in them, except the fear of the Lord be with them. **^{16:}3** Trust not thou in their life, neither respect their multitude: for one that

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is just, is better than a thousand, and better it is to die without children, than to have them that are ungodly.

^{16:}4 For by one that hath **understanding, shall the city be replenished, but the kindred of the wicked, shall speedily become desolate. ^{16:}5 Many such things have I seen with mine eyes, and mine ear hath**

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heard greater things than these. ^{16:}6 In the congregation of the ungodly, shall a fire be kindled, and in a rebellious nation, wrath is set on fire.

^{16:}7 He was not pacified towards the old giants, who fell away in the strength of their foolishness.

^{16:}8 Neither spared he the place where Lot sojourned, but

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**abhorred them for
their **pride**. ^{16:}9 He
pitied not the people
of perdition, who were
taken away in their
sins. ^{16:}10 Nor the six
hundreth thousand
footmen, who were
gathered together in
the hardness of their
hearts. ^{16:}11 And if
there be one stiff
necked among the
people, it is marvel,
if he escape**

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unpunished; for mercy and wrath are with him, he is mighty to forgive, and to pour out displeasure.

^{16:}12 As his mercy is great, so is his correction also: he judgeth a man according to his works. ^{16:}13 The sinner shall not escape with his spoils, and the patience of the godly shall not be frustrate.

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***16:14 Make way for every work of mercy: for every man shall find according to his works.**

16:15 The Lord hardened Pharaoh, that he should not know him, that his powerful works might be known to the world.

16:16 His mercy is manifest to every creature, and he hath separated his light

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**from the darkness
with an Adamant.**

**16: 17 Say not thou, I
will hide my self from
the Lord: shall any
remember me from
above? I shall not be
remembered among
so many people: for
what is my soul
among such an
infinite number of
creatures?**

**16: 18 Behold, the
heaven, and the**

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**heaven of heavens,
the deep and the
earth, and all that
therein is, shall be
moved when he shall
visit. ^{16:}19 The
mountains also, and
foundations of the
earth shall be shaken
with trembling, when
the Lord looketh upon
them. ^{16:}20 No heart
can think upon these
things worthily: and
who is able to**

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conceive his ways?

**16:21 It is a tempest,
which no man can
see: for the most part
of his works are hid.**

**16:22 Who can declare
the works of his
justice? or who can
endure them? for his
Covenant is afar off,
and the trial of all
things is in the end.**

**16:23 He that wanteth
understanding, will
think upon vain**

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things: and a foolish man erring, imagineth follies. ^{16:}24 My son, hearken unto me, and learn knowledge, and mark my words with thy heart. ^{16:}25 I will shew forth doctrine in weight, and declare his knowledge exactly. ^{16:}26 The works of the Lord are done in judgement from the beginning: and from the time he

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made them, he disposed the parts thereof. ^{16:}27 He garnished his works for ever, and in his hand are the chief of them unto all generations: they neither labor, nor are weary, nor cease from their works. ^{16:}28 None of them hindreth another, and they shall never disobey his word. ^{16:}29 After

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this, the Lord looked upon the earth, and filled it with his blessings. ^{16:30} With all manner of living things hath he covered the face thereof, and they shall return into it again.

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^{17:1} The Lord created man of the earth, and turned him into it

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again. ^{17:2} He gave them few days, and a short time, and power also over the things therein. ^{17:3} He endued them with strength by themselves, and made them according to his image, ^{17:4} And put the fear of man upon all flesh, and gave him dominion over beasts and fowls. ^{17:5} They received the use of the five operations of

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the Lord, and in the sixth place he imparted them understanding, and in the seventh, speech, an interpreter of the cogitations thereof.

^{17:6} Counsel, and a tongue, and eyes, ears, and a heart, gave he them to understand.

^{17:7} Withal, he filled them with the knowledge of

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understanding, and shewed them good and evil. ^{17:}8 He set his eye upon their hearts, that he might shew them the greatness of his works. ^{17:}9 He gave them to glory in his marvelous acts for ever, that they might declare his works with **understanding**.

^{17:}10 And the elect shall praise his holy Name. ^{17:}11 Beside this

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**he gave them
knowledge, and the
law of life for an
heritage. ^{17:}12 He made
an everlasting
covenant with them,
and shewed them his
judgments. ^{17:}13 Their
eyes saw the majesty
of his glory, and their
ears heard his
glorious voice.
^{17:}14 And he said unto
them, Beware of all
unrighteousness, and**

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**he gave every man
commandment
concerning his
neighbor, ^{17:}15 Their
ways are ever before
him, and shall not be
hid from his eyes.**

**^{17:}16 Every man from
his youth is given to
evil, neither could
they make to
themselves fleshy
hearts for stony.**

**^{17:}17 For in the division
of the nations of the**

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whole earth, he set a ruler over every people, but Israel is the Lords portion.

^{17:}18 Whom being his first borne, he nourisheth with discipline, and giving him the light of his love, doth not forsake him. ^{17:}19 Therefore all their works are as the Sun before him, and his eyes are continually upon their

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ways. ^{17:}20 None of their unrighteous deeds are hid from him, but all their sins are before the Lord:

^{17:}21 But the Lord being gracious, and knowing his workmanship, neither left nor forsook them, but spared them.

^{17:}22 The alms of a man is as a signet with him, and he will keep the good deeds of

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**man, as the apple of
the eye, and give
repentance to his
sons and daughters.**

**^{17:}23 Afterward he will
rise up and reward
them, and render their
recompense upon
their heads. ^{17:}24 But
unto them that repent,
he granted them
return, and comforted
those that fail in
patience. ^{17:}25 Return
unto the Lord, and**

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**forsake thy sins, make
thy prayer before his
face, and offend less.**

**^{17:}26 Turn again to the
most High, and turn
away from iniquity: for
he will lead thee out
of darkness into
the light of health,
and hate thou
abomination
vehemently. ^{17:}27 Who
shall praise the most
High in the grave, in**

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**stead of them which
live and give thanks?**

**17:28 Thanksgiving
perisheth from the
dead, as from one that
is not: the living and
sound in heart, shall
praise the Lord.**

**17:29 How great is the
loving kindness of the
Lord our God, and his
compassion unto
such as turn unto him
in holiness?**

17:30 For all things

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**cannot be in men,
because the son of
man is not immortal.**

**17:31 What is brighter
than the sun? yet the
light thereof faileth:
and flesh and blood
will imagine evil.**

**17:32 He vieweth the
power of the height
of heaven, and
all men
are but
earth and ashes.**

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18:1 He that liveth
for ever, created
all things in
general. **18:2** The Lord
only is righteous, and
there is none other but
he. **18:3** Who governeth
the world with the
palm of his hand, and
all things obey his
will, for he is the king
of all, by his power
dividing holy things

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**among them from
profane. ^{18:}4 To whom
hath he given power
to declare his works?
and who shall find out
his noble acts?**

**^{18:}5 Who shall number
the strength of his
majesty? and who
shall also tell out his
mercies? ^{18:}6 As for
the wondrous works
of the Lord, there may
nothing be taken from
them, neither may any**

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thing be put unto them, neither can the ground of them be found out. ^{18:7} Then a man hath done, then he beginneth, and when he leaveth off, then he shall be doubtful. ^{18:8} What is man, and whereto serveth he? what is his good, and what is his evil? ^{18:9} The number of a man's days at the most are

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an hundred years.

**18:10 As a drop of water
unto the sea, and a
gravel stone in
comparison of the
sand, so are a
thousand years to the
days of eternity.**

**18:11 Therefore is God
patient with them, and
poureth forth his
mercy upon them.**

**18:12 He saw and
perceived their end to
be evil, therefore he**

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**multiplied his
compassion. ^{18:}13 The
mercy of man is
toward his neighbor,
but the mercy of the
Lord is upon all flesh:
he reproveth and
nurtureth, and
teacheth, and bringeth
again as a shepherd
his flock. ^{18:}14 He hath
mercy on them that
receive discipline, and
that diligently seek
after his judgments.**

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18:15 My son, blemish not thy good deeds, neither use uncomfortable words when thou givest any thing. 18:16 Shall not the dew assuage the heat? so is a word better than a gift. 18:17 Lo is not a word better than a gift? but both are with a gracious man. 18:18 A fool will upbraid churlishly, and a gift

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**of the envious
consumeth the eyes.**

^{18:}19 Learn before thou

speak, and use

physic, or ever thou

be sick. ^{18:}20 Before

**judgement examine
thyself,** and in the day
of visitation thou shalt
find mercy.

**^{18:}21 Humble thyself
before thou be sick,
and in the time of sins
shew repentance.**

^{18:}22 Let nothing

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**hinder thee to pay thy
vow in due time, and
defer not until death to
be justified.**

**^{18:}23 Before thou
prayest, prepare
thyself, and be not as
one that tempteth the
Lord. ^{18:}24 Think upon
the wrath that shall be
at the end; and the
time of vengeance
when he shall turn
away his face.**

^{18:}25 When thou hast

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**enough remember the
time of hunger, and
when thou art rich
think upon poverty
and need. ^{18:}26 From
the morning until the
evening the time is
changed, and all
things are soon done
before the Lord. ^{18:}27 A
wise man will fear in
every thing, and in the
day of sinning he will
beware of offence: but
a fool will not observe**

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time. ^{18:}28 Every man
of understanding
knoweth wisdom, and
will give praise unto
him that found her.

^{18:}29 They that were of
understanding in
sayings, became also
wise themselves, and
poured forth exquisite
parables. ^{18:}30

Go not
after thy lusts, but
refrain thyself from
thine appetites. ^{18:}31 If
thou givest thy soul

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the desires that please her, she will make thee a laughing stock to thine enemies, that malign thee. ^{18:}32

Take not pleasure in much good cheer, neither be tied to the expense thereof. ^{18:}33

Be not made a beggar by banqueting upon borrowing, when thou hast nothing in thy purse, for thou shalt lie in wait for thy own

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life: and be talked on.

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**19:1 A laboring man
that is given to
drunkenness shall not
be rich, and he that
contemneth small
things shall fall by
little and little.**

**19:2 Wine and women
will make men of
understanding to fall
away, and he that**

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**cleaveth to harlots will
become impudent.**

**^{19:3} Moths and worms
shall have him to
heritage, and a bold
man shall be taken
away. ^{19:4} He that is
hasty to give credit is
light minded, and he
that sinneth shall
offend against his own
soul. ^{19:5} Who so
taketh pleasure in
wickedness shall be
condemned, but he**

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**that resisteth
pleasures, crowneth
his life. ^{19:}6 He that can
rule his tongue shall
live without strife, and
he that hateth
babbling, shall have
less evil. ^{19:}7 Rehearse
not unto another that
which is told unto
thee, and thou shalt
fare never the worse.
^{19:}8 Whether it be to
friend or foe, talk not
of other men's lives,**

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**and if thou canst
without offence reveal
them not. ^{19:}9 For he
heard and observed
thee, and when time
cometh he will hate
thee. ^{19:}10 If thou hast
heard a word, let it die
with thee, and be bold
it will not burst thee.
^{19:}11 A fool travaileth
with a word, as a
woman in labor of a
child. ^{19:}12 As an arrow
that sticketh in a**

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man's thigh, so is a word within a fool's belly. ^{19:}13 Admonish a friend, it may be he hath not done it, and if he have done it that he do it no more.

^{19:}14 Admonish thy friend, it may be he hath not said it, and if he have, that he speak it not again.

^{19:}15 Admonish a friend: for many times it is a slander, and

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believe not every tale.

**^{19:}16 There is one that
slippeth in his speech,
but not from his heart,
and who is he that
hath not offended with
his tongue?**

**^{19:}17 Admonish thy
neighbor before thou
threaten him, and not
being angry give place
to the law of the most
high. ^{19:}18 The fear of
the Lord is the first
step to be accepted of**

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him, and **wisdom**
obtaineth his love.

19:19 The knowledge of
the commandments of
the Lord, is the
doctrine of life, and
they that do things
that please him, shall
receive the fruit of the
tree of immortality.

19:20 The fear of the
Lord is all **wisdom**,
and in all **wisdom** is
the performance of
the Law, and the

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**knowledge of his
omnipotency.**

**19:21 If a servant say
to his master, I
will not do as it
pleaseth thee,
though afterward
he do it, he
angereth him that
nourisheth him.**

**19:22 The knowledge
of wickedness is **not**
wisdom, neither at any
time the counsel of
sinners, prudence.**

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19:23 There is a wickedness, and the same an abomination, and there is a fool wanting in wisdom.

19:24 He that hath small understanding and feareth God, is better than one that hath much wisdom, and transgresseth the law of the most High. 19:25 There is an exquisite

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subtlety, and the same is unjust, and there is one that turneth aside to make judgement appear: and there is a wise man that justifieth in judgement.

^{19:}26 There is a wicked man that hangeth down his head sadly; but inwardly he is full of deceit, ^{19:}27 Casting

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**down his
countenance, and
making as if he
heard not: where he
is not known, he
will do thee a
mischief before
thou be aware.**

**^{19:}28 And if for want
of power he be
hindered from
sinning, yet when
he findeth
opportunity he will
do evil. ^{19:}29 A man**

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may be known by
his look, and one
that hath
understanding, by his
countenance, when
thou meetest him.

19:30 A man's attire,
and excessive
laughter, and gait,
shew what he is.

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20:1 There is a reproof
that is not comely:
again some man

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**holdeth his tongue,
and he is wise.**

**20:2 It is much better
to reprove, than to be
angry secretly, and he
that confesseth his
fault, shall be
preserved from hurt.**

**20:3 How good is it
when thou art
reproved, to shew
repentance? for so
shalt thou escape
willful sin. 20:4 As is
the lust of an eunuch**

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**to deflower a virgin;
so is he that executeth
judgement with
violence. ^{20:5}**

**There is
one that keepeth
silence and is found
wise: and another by
much babbling
becommeth hateful.**

**^{20:6} Some man holdeth
his tongue, because
he hath not to answer,
and some keepeth
silence, knowing his
time. ^{20:7} A **wise** man**

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**will hold his tongue till
he see opportunity:
but a babbler and a
fool will regard no
time. ^{20:}8 He that useth
many words shall be
abhorred; and he that
taketh to himself
authority therein, shall
be hated. ^{20:}9 There is
a sinner that hath
good success in evil
things; and there is a
gain that turneth to
loss. ^{20:}10 There is a**

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**gift that shall not
profit thee; and there
is a gift whose
recompense is
double. ^{20:}11 There is
an abasement
because of glory; and
there is that lifteth up
his head from a low
estate. ^{20:}12 There is
that buyeth much for a
little, and repayeth it
seven fold. ^{20:}13 A **wise**
man by his words
maketh himself**

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**beloved: but the
graces of fools shall
be poured out.**

**20:14 The gift of a fool
shall do thee no good
when thou hast it;
neither yet of the
envious for his
necessity: for he
looketh to receive
many things for one.**

**20:15 He giveth little
and upbraideth much;
he openeth his mouth
like a crier; to day he**

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**lendeth, and to
morrow will he ask it
again: such an one is
to be hated of God
and man. ^{20:}16 The fool
saith, I have no
friends, I have no
thank for all my good
deeds: and they that
eat my bread speak
evil of me. ^{20:}17 How
oft, and of how many
shall he be laughed to
scorn? for he knoweth
not aright what it is to**

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have; and it is all one unto him, as if he had it not. ^{20:}18 **To slip upon a pavement, is better than to slip with the tongue:** so, the fall of the wicked shall come speedily.

^{20:}19 **An unseasonable tale will alway be in the mouth of the unwise.** ^{20:}20 **A wise sentence shall be rejected when it commeth out of a**

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fools mouth: for he will not speak it in due season. ^{20:}21 There is that is hindered from sinning through want: and when he taketh rest, he shall not be troubled. ^{20:}22 There is that destroyeth his \own soul through bashfulness, and by accepting of persons overthroweth himself. ^{20:}23 There is that for bashfulness

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promiseth to his friend, and maketh him his enemy for nothing. ^{20:}24 A lie is a foul blot in a man, yet it is continually in the mouth of the untaught. ^{20:}25 A thief is better than a man that is accustomed to lie: but they both shall have destruction to heritage. ^{20:}26 The disposition of a liar is dishonorable, and his

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shame is ever with him. ^{20:}27 A **wise** man shall promote himself to honor with his words: and he that hath **understanding**, will please great men. ^{20:}28 He that tilleth his land, shall increase his heap: and he that pleaseth great men, shall get pardon for iniquity. ^{20:}29 Presents and gifts blind the eyes of the **wise**, and

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**stop up his mouth that
he cannot reprove.**

20:30 Wisdom that is
hidden, and treasure
that is hoarded up,
what profit is in them
both? **20:31 Better is he
that hideth his folly,
than a man that hideth
his wisdom.**

**20:32 Necessary
patience in seeking
the Lord, is better than
he that leadeth his life
without a guide.**

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21:1 My son, hast thou sinned? do so no more, but ask pardon for thy former sins.

21:2 Flee from sin as from the face of a serpent: for if thou comest to near it, it will bite thee: the teeth thereof, are as the teeth of a lion, slaying the souls of men.

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21:3 All iniquity is as a two edged sword, the wounds whereof cannot be healed.

21:4 To terrify and do wrong, will waste riches: thus the house of proud men shall be made desolate. 21:5 A prayer out of a poor mans mouth reacheth to the ears of God, and his judgement cometh speedily.

21:6 He that hateth to

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be reprov'd, is in the way of sinners: but he that feareth the Lord, will repent from his heart. ^{21:}7 An eloquent man is known far and near, but a man of understanding knoweth when he slippeth. ^{21:}8 He that buildeth his house with other mens money, is like one that gathereth himself stones for the tomb of

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his burial. ^{21:9} The congregation of the wicked is like tow wrapped together: and the end of them is a flame of fire to destroy them. ^{21:10} The way of sinners is made plain with stones, but at the end thereof is the pit of hell. ^{21:11} He that keepeth the law of the Lord, getteth the understanding thereof: and the

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perfection of the fear
of the Lord, is
wisdom. ^{21:}**12** He that
is not **wise**, will not be
taught: but there is a
wisdom which
multiplieth bitterness.
^{21:}**13** The knowledge of
a **wise** man shall
abound like a flood:
and his counsel is like
a pure fountain of life.
^{21:}**14** The inner parts of
a fool, are like a
broken vessel, and he

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**will hold no
knowledge as long as
he liveth. ^{21:}15 If a
skillful man hear a
wise word, he will
commend it, and add
unto it: but as soon as
one of no
understanding
heareth it, it
displeaseth him, and
he casteth it behind
his back. ^{21:}16 The
talking of a fool is like
a burden in the way:**

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but grace shall be found in the lips of the **wise**. ^{21:}**17** They inquire

at the mouth of the **wise** man in the

congregation, and they shall ponder his words in their heart.

^{21:}**18** As is a house that is destroyed, so is **wisdom** to a fool: and the knowledge of the unwise, is as talk without sense.

^{21:}**19** Doctrine unto

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fools, is as fetters on the feet, and like manacles on the right hand. ^{21:}20

A fool lifteth up his voice with laughter, but a wise man doeth scarce smile a little.

^{21:}21 Learning is unto a wise man, as a ornament of gold, and like a bracelet upon his right arm. ^{21:}22 A foolish mans foot is soon in his

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**neighbours house: but
a man of experience is
ashamed of him.**

**^{21:}23 A fool will peep in
at the door into the
house, but he that is
well nurtured, will
stand without. ^{21:}24 It
is the rudeness of a
man to hearken at the
door: but a **wise** man
will be grieved with
the disgrace. ^{21:}25 The
lips of talkers will be
telling such things**

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as pertain not unto them: but the words of such as have **understanding**, are weighed in the balance. ^{21:}26 **The heart of fools is in their mouth, but the mouth of the wise is in their heart.** ^{21:}27 When the ungodly curseth Satan, he curseth his own soul. ^{21:}28 A whisperer defileth his own soul, and is hated

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**wheresoever he
dwelleth.**

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**^{22:}1 A slothful man is
compared to a filthy
stone, and every one
will hiss him out to his
disgrace. ^{22:}2 A
slothful man is
compared to the filth
of a dunghill: every
man that takes it up,
will shake his hand.**

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22:3 An evil nurtured son is the dishonor of his father that begat him: and a *foolish* daughter is born to his loss. **22:4** A **wise** daughter shall bring an inheritance to her husband: but she that liveth dishonestly, is her fathers heaviness. **22:5** She that is bold, dishonoreth both her father and her husband, but they

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both shall despise her. ^{22:6} A tale out of season *is as* music in mourning: but stripes and correction of **wisdom** are never out of time. ^{22:7} Who so teacheth a fool, is as one that gleweth a potsheard together, and as he that waketh one from a sound sleep. ^{22:8} He that telleth a tale to a fool, speaketh to one in a

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slumber: when he hath told his tale, he will say, What is the matter? ^{22:}9 If children live honestly, and have wherewithall, they shall cover the baseness of their parents. ^{22:}10 But children being haughty through disdain, and want of nurture, do stain the nobility of their kindred. ^{22:}11 Weep for

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**the dead, for he hath
lost the light: and
weep for the fool, for
he wanteth
understanding: make
little weeping for the
dead, for he is at rest:
but the life of the fool
is worse than death.**

**^{22:}12 Seven days do
men mourn for him
that is dead; but for a
fool, and an ungodly
man, all the days of
his life ^{22:}13 **Talk not****

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**much with a fool, and
go not to him that hath
no understanding,
beware of him lest
thou have trouble, and
thou shalt never be
defiled with his
fooleries: depart from
him, and thou shalt
find rest, and never be
disquieted with
madness. ^{22:}14 What is
heavier than lead?
and what is the name
thereof, but a fool?**

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**22:15 Sand, and salt,
and a mass of iron is
easier to bear than a
man without
understanding.**

**22:16 As timber girt and
bound together in a
building, cannot be
loosed with shaking:
so the heart that is
stablished by advised
counsel, shall fear at
no time. 22:17 A heart
settled upon a thought
of understanding, is**

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**as a fair plaistering on
the wall of a gallery.**

**^{22:}18 Pales set on an
high place will never
stand against the
wind: so a fearful
heart in the
imagination of a fool,
can not stand against
any fear. ^{22:}19 He that
pricketh the eye, will
make tears to fall: and
he that pricketh the
heart, maketh it to
shew her knowledge.**

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22:20 Who so casteth a stone at the birds, frayeth them away, and he that upbraideth his friend, breaketh friendship.

22:21 Though thou drewest a sword at thy friend, yet despair not, for there may be a returning (to favor.)

22:22 If thou hast opened thy mouth against thy friend, fear not, for there may be a

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**reconciliation: except
for upbraiding, or
pride, or disclosing of
secrets, or a
treacherous wound,
for, for these things
every friend will
depart. ^{22:}23 Be faithful
to thy neighbor in his
poverty, that thou
mayest rejoice in his
prosperity: abide
stedfast unto him in
the time of his trouble,
that thou mayest be**

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heir with him in his heritage: for a mean estate is not always to be contemned, nor the rich that is foolish, to be had in admiration.

^{22:}24 As the vapor and smoke of a furnace goeth before the fire: so reviling before blood. ^{22:}25 I will not be ashamed to defend a friend: neither will I hide my self from him. ^{22:}26 And if any evil

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**happen unto me
by him, every one
that heareth it will
beware of him.**

**22:27 Who shall set
a watch before my
mouth, and a seal
of wisdom upon
my lips, that I fall
not suddenly
by them, and
that
my tongue
destroy me
not?**

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23:1 O Lord, father and governor of all my whole life, leave me not to their counsels, and let me not fall by them. **23:2** Who will set scourges over my thoughts, and the discipline of **wisdom** over mine heart? that they spare me not for mine ignorances and

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it pass not by my sins:

^{23:}3 Least mine

**ignorances increase,
and my sins abound
to my destruction, and**

**I fall before mine
adversaries, and mine
enemy rejoice over
me, whose hope is far
from thy mercy. ^{23:}4 O**

**Lord, Father and God
of my life, give me not
a proud look, but turn
away from thy
servants always a**

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haughty mind:

**23:5 Turn away from me
vain hopes, and
concupiscence and
thou shalt hold him up
that is desirous
always to serve thee.**

**23:6 Let not the
greediness of the
belly, nor lust of
the flesh take
hold of me,**

**and give not over me
thy servant into an
impudent mind.**

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23:7 Hear, O ye children, the discipline of the mouth: He that keepeth it, shall never be taken in his lips.

23:8 The sinner shall be left in his foolishness: both the evil speaker and the proud shall fall thereby.

23:9 Accustom not thy mouth to swearing: neither use thyself to the naming of the holy

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one. ^{23:}10 For as a servant that is continually beaten, shall not be without a blue mark: so he that sweareth and nameth God continually, shall not be faultless. ^{23:}11 A man that useth much swearing shall be filled with iniquity, and the plague shall never depart from his house: If he shall offend, his sin shall be

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upon him: and if he acknowledge not his sin, he maketh a double offense, and if he swear in vain, he shall not be innocent, but his house shall be full of calamities.

23:12 There is a word that is clothed about with death: God grant that it be not found in the heritage of Jacob, for all such things shall be far from the

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godly, and they shall not wallow in their sins. ^{23:}**13 Use not thy mouth to intemperate swearing, for therein is the word of sin.**

^{23:}**14 Remember thy father and thy mother, when thou sittest among great men. Be not forgetful before them, and so thou by thy custom become a fool, and wish that thou hadst not been**

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born, and curse the day of thy nativity.

23: 15 The man that is accustomed to

opprobrious words, will never be reformed all the days of his life.

23: 16 Two sorts of men multiply sin, and the third will bring wrath: a hot mind is as a burning fire, it will never be quenched till it be consumed: a fornicator in the body

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**of his flesh, will never
cease till he hath
kindled a fire. ^{23:}17 All
bread is sweet to a
whoremonger, he will
not leave off till he die.**

**^{23:}18 A man that
breaketh wedlock,
saying thus in his
heart, Who seeth me?
I am compassed about
with darkness: the
walls cover me; and
no body seeth me,
what need I to fear?**

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**The most high will not
remember my sins:**

**^{23:}19 Such a man only
feareth the eyes of
men, and knoweth not
that the eyes of the
Lord are ten thousand
times brighter than
the Sun, beholding all
the ways of men, and
considering the most
secret parts. ^{23:}20 He
knew all things ere
ever they were
created, so also after**

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**they were perfected,
he looked upon them
all: ^{23:}21 This man shall
be punished in the
streets of the city, and
where he suspecteth
not, he shall be taken.**

**^{23:}22 Thus shall it go
also with the wife, that
leaveth her husband,
and bringeth in an heir
by another: ^{23:}23 For
first she hath
disobeyed the law of
the most High: and**

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**secondly, she hath
trespassed against
her own husband, and
thirdly, she hath
played the whore in
adultery, and brought
children by another
man. ^{23:}24 She shall be
brought out into the
congregation, and
inquisition shall be
made of her children.
^{23:}25 Her children shall
not take root, and her
branches shall bring**

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forth no fruit. ^{23:}26 She shall leave her memory to be cursed, and her reproach shall not be blotted out.

^{23:}27 And they that remain, shall know that there is nothing better than the fear of the Lord, and that there is nothing sweeter than to take heed unto the commandment of the Lord. ^{23:}28 It is great

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**glory to follow the
Lord, and to be
received of him
is long life.**

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**24:1 Wisdom shall
praise herself, and
shall glory in the
midst of her people.**

**24:2 In the
congregation of the
most high, shall she
open her mouth, and**

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**triumph before his
power. ^{24:3} I came out
of the mouth of the
most High, and
covered the earth as a
cloud. ^{24:4} I dwelt in
high places, and my
throne is in a cloudy
pillar. ^{24:5} I alone
compassed the circuit
of heaven, and walked
in the bottom of the
deep. ^{24:6} In the waves
of the sea, and in all
the earth, and in every**

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**people, and nation, I
got a possession.**

24:7 With all these I

**sought rest: and in
whose inheritance
shall I abide? 24:8 So**

**the Creator of all
things gave me a
commandment, and
he that made me,
caused my tabernacle
to rest: and said, Let
thy dwelling be in
Jacob, and thine
inheritance in Israel.**

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**24:9 He created me
from the beginning
before the world, and I
shall never fail. 24:10 In
the holy tabernacle I
served before him:
and so was I
established in Sion.
24:11 Likewise in the
beloved city he gave
me rest, and in
Jerusalem was my
power. 24:12 And I took
root in an honorable
people, even in the**

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portion of the Lords inheritance. ^{24:}13 I was exalted like a Cedar in Libanus, and as a Cypress tree upon the mountains of Hermon. ^{24:}14 I was exalted like a Palm tree in Engaddi, and as a rose plant in Jericho, as a fair olive tree in a pleasant field, and grew up as a planetree by the water. ^{24:}15 I gave a sweet smell

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**like cinnamon, and
aspalathus, and I
yielded a pleasant
odor like the best
myrrh, as Galbanum
and Onix, and sweet
Storax, and as the
sum of frankincense
in the Tabernacle.**

**24:16 As the
Turpentine tree, I
stretched out my
branches, and my
branches are the
branches of honor and**

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grace. ^{24:}17 As the vine, brought I forth pleasant savor and my flowers are the fruit of honor and riches.

^{24:}18 I am the mother of fair love, and fear, and knowledge, and holy hope. I therefore, being eternal, am given to all my children which are named of him.

^{24:}19 Come unto me all ye that be desirous of

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**me, and fill yourselves
with my fruits.**

**24:20 For my memorial
is sweeter than honey,
and mine inheritance
than the honeycomb.**

**24:21 They that eat me
shall yet be hungry,
and they that drink me
shall yet be thirsty.**

**24:22 He that obeyeth
me, shall never be
confounded, and they
that work by me, shall
not do amiss. 24:23 All**

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**these things are the
book of the covenant
of the most High God,
even the law which
Moses commanded
for an heritage unto
the congregations of
Jacob. ^{24:}24 Faint not
to be strong in the
Lord; that he may
confirm you, cleave
unto him: for the Lord
Almighty is God
alone, and besides
him there is no other**

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**Savior. ^{24:}25 He filleth
all things with his
wisdom, as Phison,
and as Tigris in the
time of the new fruits.**

**^{24:}26 He maketh the
understanding to
abound like
Euphrates, and as
Jorden in the time of
the harvest. ^{24:}27 He
maketh the doctrine of
knowledge appear as
the light, and as Geon
in the time of vintage.**

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**24:28 The first man
knew her not
perfectly: no more
shall the last find her
out. 24:29 For her
thoughts are more
than the sea, and her
counsels profounder
than the great deep.
24:30 I also came out
as a brook from a
river, and as a conduit
into a garden. 24:31 I
said, I will water my
best garden, and will**

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**water abundantly my
garden bed: and lo,
my brook became a
river, and my river
became a sea. ^{24:}32 I
will yet make **doctrine**
to shine as the
morning, and will
send forth her light
afar off. ^{24:}33 I will yet
pour out **doctrine** as
prophecy, and leave it
to all ages for ever.
34 Behold that I have
not labored for my self**

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only, but for all them
that seek wisdom.

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25:1 In three things I
was beautified, and
stood up beautiful,
both before God and
men: the unity of
brethren, the love of
neighbours, a man
and a wife that agree
together. **25:2** Three
sorts of men my soul

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hateth, and I am greatly offended at their life: a poor man that is proud, a rich man that is a liar, and an old adulterer that doteth. ^{25:3} If thou hast gathered nothing in thy youth, how canst thou find any thing in thine age? ^{25:4} Oh how comely a thing is judgement for gray hairs, and for ancient men to know counsel?

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25:5 Oh how comely is the wisdom of old men, and understanding and counsel to men of honor? 25:6 Much experience is the crown of old men, and the fear of God is their glory. 25:7 There be nine things which I have judged in mine heart to be happy, and the tenth I will utter with my tongue: a

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**man that hath joy of
his children, and he
that liveth to see the
fall of his enemy.**

**25:8 Well is him that
dwelleth with a wife of
understanding, and
that hath not slipped
with his tongue, and
that hath not served a
man more unworthy
than himself. 25:9 Well
is him that hath found
prudence, and he that
speakth in the ears of**

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him that will hear.

**25:10 Oh how great is
he that findeth
wisdom! yet is there
none above him that
feareth the Lord.**

**25:11 But the love of
the Lord passeth all
things for illumination:
he that holdeth it,
whereto shall he be
likened? 25:12 The fear
of the Lord is the
beginning of his love:
and faith is the**

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**beginning of cleaving
unto him.** ^{25:}13 Give

**me any plague, but
the plague of the
heart: and any
wickedness, but the
wickedness of a
woman.** ^{25:}14 And any

**affliction, but the
affliction from them
that hate me: and any
revenge, but the
revenge of enemies.**

^{25:}15 There is no head
above the head of a

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**serpent, and there is
no wrath above the
wrath of an enemy.**

**^{25:}16 I had rather dwell
with a lion and a
dragon, than to keep
house with a wicked
woman. ^{25:}17 The
wickedness of a
woman changeth her
face, and darkeneth
her countenance like
sackcloth. ^{25:}18 Her
husband shall sit
among his neighbors:**

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**and when he heareth
it, shall sigh bitterly.**

^{25:}19 All wickedness is

**but little to the
wickedness of a
woman: let the portion
of a sinner fall upon
her. ^{25:}20 As the**

**climbing up a sandy
way is to the feet of
the aged, so is a wife
full of words to a quiet
man. ^{25:}21 Stumble not**

**at the beauty of a
woman, and desire**

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her not for pleasure.

^{25:}22 A woman, if she maintain her husband, is full of anger, impudency, and much reproach. ^{25:}23 A

wicked woman abateth the courage, maketh a heavy countenance, and a wounded heart: a woman that will not comfort her husband in distress maketh weak hands, and

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feeble knees. ^{25:}24 Of the woman came the beginning of sin, and through her we all die.

^{25:}25 Give the water no passage: neither a wicked woman liberty to gad abroad.

^{25:}26 If she go not as thou wouldest have her, cut her off from thy flesh, and give her a bill of divorce, and let her go.

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26:1 Blessed is the man that hath a virtuous wife, for the number of his days shall be double.

26:2 As virtuous woman rejoiceth her husband, and he shall fulfill the years of his life in peace. 26:3 A

good wife is a good portion, which shall be given in the portion

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of them that fear the Lord. ^{26:}4 Whether a man be rich or poor, if he have a good heart towards the Lord, he shall at all times rejoice with a cheerful countenance.

^{26:}5 There be three things that mine heart feareth: and for the fourth I was sore afraid: the slander of a city, the gathering together of an unruly

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multitude, and a false accusation: all these are worse than death.

^{26:}6 But a grief of heart and sorrow, is a woman that is jealous over another woman, and a scourge of the tongue which communicateth withal.

^{26:}7 An evil wife is a yoke shaken to and fro: he that hath hold of her, is as though he held a scorpion. ^{26:}8 A

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**drunken woman and a
gadder abroad,
causeth great anger,
and she will not cover
her own shame.**

**26:9 The whoredom of
a woman may be
known in her haughty
looks, and eye lids.**

**26:10 If thy daughter be
shameless, keep her
in straitly: lest she
abuse her self
through overmuch
liberty. 26:11 Watch**

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**over an impudent eye:
and marvel not, if she
trespass against thee.**

**^{26:}12 She will open her
mouth as a thirsty
traveller, when he
hath found a fountain:
and drink of every
water near her: by
every hedge will she
sit down, and open
her quiver against
every arrow. ^{26:}13 The**

**grace of a wife
delighteth her**

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husband, and her discretion will fat his bones. ^{26:}14 A silent and loving woman is a gift of the Lord, and there is nothing so much worth, as a mind well instructed.

^{26:}15 A shamefaced and faithful woman is a double grace, and her continent mind cannot be valued.

^{26:}16 As the sun when it ariseth in the high

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**heaven: so is the
beauty of a good wife
in the ordering of her
house. ^{26:}17 As the
clear light is upon the
holy candlestick: so is
the beauty of the face
in ripe age. ^{26:}18 As
the golden pillars are
upon the sockets of
silver: so are the fair
feet with a constant
heart. ^{26:}19 My son,
keep the flower of
thine age sound: and**

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**give not thy strength
to strangers.**

**^{26:}20 When thou hast
gotten a fruitful
possession through
all the field: sow it
with thine own seed,
trusting in the
goodness of thy
stock. ^{26:}21 So thy
race which thou
leavest shall be
magnified, having the
confidence of their
good descent. ^{26:}22 An**

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**harlot shall be
accounted as spittle:
but a married woman
is a tower against
death to her husband.**

**^{26:}23 A wicked woman
is given as a portion
to a wicked man: but a
godly woman is given
to him that feareth the
Lord. ^{26:}24 A**

**dishonest woman
contemneth shame,
but an honest woman
will reverence her**

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husband. ^{26:}25 A shameless woman shall be counted as a dog: but she that is shamefast will fear the Lord. ^{26:}26 A woman that honoreth her husband, shall be judged **wise** of all: but she that dishonoreth him in her **pride**, shall be counted ungodly of all. ^{26:}27 A loud crying woman, and a scold, shall be sought out to

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**drive away the
enemies. ^{26:}28 There
be two things that
grieve my heart: and
the third maketh me
angry: a man of war
that suffereth poverty,
and men of
understanding that
are not set by: and
one that returneth
from righteousness to
sin: the Lord
prepareth such a one
for the sword. ^{26:}29 **A****

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**merchant shall hardly
keep himself from
doing wrong: and an
huckster shall not be
freed from sin.**

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**27:1 Many have sinned
for a small matter: and
he that seeketh for
abundance will turn
his eyes away. 27:2 As
a nail sticketh fast
between the joinings**

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**of the stones: so doth
sin stick close
between buying and
selling. ^{27:3} Unless a
man hold himself
diligently in the fear of
the Lord, his house
shall soon be
overthrown. ^{27:4} As
when one sifteth with
a sieve, the refuse
remaineth, so the filth
of man in his talk.
^{27:5} The furnace
proveth the potter's**

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**vessel: so the trial of
man is in his
reasoning. ^{27:6} The
fruit declareth if the
tree have been
dressed: so is the
utterance of a conceit
in the heart of man.
^{27:7} Praise no man
before thou hearest
him speak, for this is
the trial of men. ^{27:8} If
thou followest
righteousness, thou
shalt obtain **her**, and**

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put **her** on, as a
glorious long robe.

27:9 The birds will
resort unto their like,
so will truth return
unto them that
practice in her. **27:10**

As the lion lieth in
wait for the pray: so
sin for them that work
iniquity. **27:11** The
discourse of a godly
man is always with
wisdom: but a fool
changeth as the

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moon. ^{27:12} If thou be among the indiscreet, observe the time: but be continually among men of understanding.

^{27:13} The discourse of fools is irksome, and their sport is in the wantonness of sin.

^{27:14} The talk of him that sweareth much, maketh the hair stand upright: and their brawls make one stop his ears. ^{27:15} The

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**strife of the proud is
blood-shedding, and
their revilings are
grievous to the ear.**

**^{27:}16 Who so
discovereth secrets,
loseth his credit: and
shall never find friend
to his mind. ^{27:}17 Love**

**thy friend, and be
faithful unto him: but
if thou bewrayest his
secrets, follow no
more after him.**

^{27:}18 For as a man

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hath destroyed his enemy: so hast thou lost the love of thy neighbor. ^{27:}19 As one that letteth a bird go out of his hand, so hast thou let thy neighbor go; and shalt not get him again. ^{27:}20 Follow after him no more, for he is too far off, he is as a roe escaped out of the snare. ^{27:}21 As for a wound it may be

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**bound up, and after
reviling there may be
reconcilement: but he
that bewrayeth
secrets is without
hope. ^{27:}22 He that
winketh with the eyes
worketh evil, and he
that knoweth him will
depart from him.**

**^{27:}23 When thou art
present he will speak
sweetly, and will
admire thy words: but
at the last he will**

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**writhe his mouth, and
slander thy sayings.**

**^{27:}24 I have hated
many things, but
nothing like him, for
the Lord will hate him.**

**^{27:}25 Who so casteth a
stone on high, casteth
it on his own head,
and a deceitful stroke
shall make wounds.**

**^{27:}26 Who so diggeth a
pit shall fall therein:
and he that setteth a
trap shall be taken**

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**therein. ²⁷:27 He that
worketh mischief, it
shall fall upon him,
and he shall not know
whence it cometh.**

**²⁷:28 Mockery and
reproach are from the
proud: but vengeance
as a lion shall lie in
wait for them.**

**²⁷:29 They that rejoice
at the fall of the
righteous shall be
taken in the snare,
and anguish shall**

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**consume them before
they die. ²⁷:30 Malice
and wrath, even these
are abominations, and
the sinful man shall
have them both.**

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**²⁸:↻1 He that revengeth
shall find vengeance
from the Lord, and he
will surely keep his
sins (in
remembrance.)**

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28:2 ⇄ **Forgive thy neighbor the hurt that he hath done unto thee, so shall thy sins also be forgiven when thou prayest.**

28:3 ⇄ **One man beareth hatred against another, and doeth he seek pardon from the Lord?** **28:4** ⇄ **He sheweth no mercy to a man, which is like himself: and doeth he ask forgiveness of his**

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**own sins? ^{28:5} ↺ If he
that is but flesh
nourish hatred, who
will entreat for pardon
of his sins?**

**^{28:} ↻ 6 Remember thy
end, and let enmity
cease, remember
corruption and death,
and abide in the
commandments.**

**^{28:7} ↻ Remember the
command-ments, and
bear no malice to thy
neighbor: remember**

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the covenant of the Highest, and wink at ignorance.

28:8 🗣️ Abstain from strife, and thou shalt diminish thy sins: for a furious man will kindle strife. 28:9 🗣️ A sinful man disquieteth friends, and maketh debate among them that be at peace.

🗣️ 28:10 As the matter of the fire is, so it burneth: and as a

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**man's strength is, so
is his wrath, and
according to his
riches his anger
riseth, and the
stronger they are
which contend, the
more they will be
inflamed. 🗣️🗣️ 28:11 An
hasty contention
kindleth a fire, and an
hasty fighting
sheddeth blood.**

**28:12 🗣️ If thou blow the
spark, it shall burn: if**

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thou spit upon it, it shall be quenched, and both these come out of thy  **mouth**.

^{28:13} Curse the

 **whisperer**, and  **double tongued**: for such have destroyed many that were at peace. ^{28:14} A

 **backbiting tongue** hath disquieted many, and driven them from nation to nation, strong cities hath  **it**

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**pulled down, and
overthrown the
houses of great men.**

**^{28:15} A 🗨️ backbiting
tongue hath cast out
virtuous women, and
deprived them of their
labors. ^{28:16} Who so
hearkeneth unto 🗨️ it,
shall never find rest,
and never dwell**

**quietly. ^{28:17} The
stroke of the
whip maketh**

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**marks in the
flesh, but the
stroke of  the
tongue breaketh
the bones.**

**28:18 Many have fallen
by the edge of the
sword: but not so
many as have fallen
by  the tongue.**

**28:19 Well is he that is
defended from  it,
and hath not passed**

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through the venom
thereof: who hath not
drawn the yoke
thereof, nor hath been
bound in her bands.

^{28:}20 For the yoke
👄 **thereof** is a yoke of
iron, and the bands
thereof are bands of
brass. ^{28:}21 The death
👄 **thereof** is an evil
death, the grave were
better than 👄 **it**.

^{28:}22 👄 **It** shall not
have rule over them

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**that fear God, neither
shall they be burnt
with the flame**

👄 thereof. ^{28:}23 **Such**

**as forsake the Lord
shall fall into it, and**

**👄 it shall burn in them,
and not be quenched,**

**👄 it shall be sent upon
them as a lion, and
devour them as a**

leopard. ^{28:}24 **Look
that thou hedge thy
possession about with
thorns, and bind up**

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thy silver and gold:

^{28:}25 And weigh thy

👄 **words** in a balance,
and make a door and
bar for thy 👄 **mouth**.

^{28:}26 Beware thou
slide not by 👄 **it**, lest
thou fall before him
that lieth in wait.

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^{29:}1 He that is merciful,
will lend unto his
neighbor, and he that

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**strengtheneth his hand,
keepeth the
commandments.**

**^{29:}2 Lend to thy
neighbor in time of his
need, and pay thou
thy neighbor again in
due season. ^{29:}3**

**Keep
thy word and deal
faithfully with him, and
thou shalt always find
the thing that is
necessary for thee.**

**^{29:}4 Many when a thing
was lent them,**

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reckoned it to be found, and put them to trouble that helped them. ^{29:5} Till he hath received, he will kiss a mans hand: and for his neighbors money he will speak submissively: but when he should repay, he will prolong the time, and return words of grief, and complain of the time. ^{29:6} If he prevail, he shall hardly

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receive the half, and he will count as if he had found it: if not; he hath deprived him of his money, and he hath gotten him an enemy without cause: he payeth him with cursings, and railings: and for honor he will pay him disgrace.

29:7 Many therefore have refused to lend for other men's ill dealing, fearing to be

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defrauded. ^{29:8} Yet

**have thou patience
with a man in poor
estate, and delay not
to shew him mercy.**

**^{29:9} Help the poor for
the commandments
sake, and turn him not
away because of his
poverty. ^{29:10} Lose thy
money for thy brother
and thy friend, and let
it not rust under a
stone to be lost.**

^{29:11} Lay up thy

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treasure according to the commandments of the most high, and it shall bring thee more profit than gold.

29:12 Shut up alms in thy storehouses: and it shall deliver thee from all affliction.

29:13 It shall fight for thee against thine enemies, better than a mighty shield and strong spear. 29:14 An honest man is surety

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**for his neighbor: but
he that is impudent,
will forsake him.**

**29:15 Forget not the
friendship of thy
surety: for he hath
given his life for thee.**

**29:16 A sinner will
overthrow the good
estate of his surety:**

**29:17 And he that is of
an unthankful mind,
will leave him in
danger that delivered
him. 29:18 Suretyship**

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**hath undone many of
good estate, and
shaked them as a
wave of the sea:
mighty men hath it
driven from their
houses, so that they
wandered among
strange nations.**

**29:19 A wicked man
transgressing the
commandments of the
Lord, shall fall into
suretyship: and he
that undertaketh and**

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**followeth other men's
business for gain,
shall fall into suits.**

**^{29:}20 Help thy
neighbor according to
thy power, and beware
that thou thyself fall
not into the same.**

**^{29:}21 The chief thing
for life is water and
bread, and clothing,
and an house to cover
shame. ^{29:}22 Better is
the life of a poor man
in a mean cottage,**

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**than delicate faire in
another man's house.**

**^{29:}23 Be it little or
much, hold thee
contented, that thou
hear not the reproach
of thy house. ^{29:}24 For
it is a miserable life to
go from house to
house: for where thou
art a stranger, thou
darest not open thy
mouth. ^{29:}25 Thou
shalt entertain and
feast, and have no**

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**thanks: moreover,
thou shalt hear bitter
words. ^{29:}26 Come
thou stranger, and
furnish a table, and
feed me of that thou
hast ready. ^{29:}27 Give
place thou stranger to
an honorable man, my
brother cometh to be
lodged, and I have
need of mine house.
^{29:}28 These things are
grievous to a man of
understanding: the**

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**upbraiding of house-
room, and
reproaching of the
lender.**

ECCELESTIASTICUS 30

✿ 30:1 He that loveth
his son, causeth him
oft to feel the rod, that
he may have joy of
him in the end. **30:2** He
that chastiseth his
son, shall have joy in
him, and shall rejoice

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of him among his acquaintance. ^{30:3} He that teacheth his son, grieveth the enemy: and before his friends he shall rejoice of him. ^{30:4} Though his father die, yet he is as though he were not dead: for he hath left one behind him that is like himself. ^{30:5} While he lived, he saw and rejoiced in him: and when he died he was

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not sorrowful. ^{30:6} He left behind him an avenger against his enemies, and one that shall requite kindness to his friends. ^{30:7} He that maketh too much of his son, shall bind up his wounds, and his bowels will be troubled at every cry. ^{30:8} An horse not broken becometh headstrong: and a child left to himself

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will be willful.

**30:9 Cocker thy child,
and he shall make
thee afraid: play with
him, and he will bring
thee to heaviness.**

**30:10 Laugh not with
him, lest thou have
sorrow with him, and
lest thou gnash thy
teeth in the end.**

**30:11 Give him no
liberty in his youth,
and wink not at his
follies. 30:12 Bow down**

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his neck while he is young, and beat him on the sides while he is a child, lest he wax stubborn, and be disobedient unto thee, and so bring sorrow to thine heart.

30:13 Chastise thy son, and hold him to labor, lest his lewd behavior be an offence unto thee.

30:14   Better is the poor being sound and

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**strong of constitution,
than a rich man that is
afflicted in his body.**

30:15  **Health and
good state of body are
above all gold, and a
strong body above
infinite wealth.**

30:16   **There is no
riches above a sound
body, and no joy
above the joy of the
heart.**

30:17  **Death is
better than a bitter
life, or continual**

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sickness.

30:18 Delicates poured upon a mouth shut up, are as messes of meat set upon a grave.

30:19 What good doth the offering unto an idol? for neither can it eat nor smell: so is he that is persecuted of the Lord. 30:20 He

seeth with his eyes and groaneth, as an Eunuch that embraceth a virgin,

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and sigheth. ^{30:}**21** Give
not over thy mind to
heaviness, and afflict
not thyself in thine
own counsel. ^{30:}**22** The

gladness of the heart
is the life of man, and
the joyfulness of a
man prolongeth his
days. ^{30:}**23** ☯ Love

thine own soul, and
comfort thy heart,
remove sorrow far
from thee: for sorrow
hath killed many, and

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**there is no profit
therein.**

30:24 ⌚ **Envy and
wrath shorten the
life, and carefulness
bringeth age before
the time.** **30:25** 🍴 **A
cheerful and good
heart will have a care
of his meat and diet.**

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31:1 💰 🏠 **Watching for
riches, consumeth the**

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flesh, and the care thereof driveth away sleep. ^{31:2} Watching care will not let a man slumber, as a sore disease breaketh sleep. ^{31:3} 💰 The rich hath great labor in gathering riches together, and when he resteth, he is filled with his delicates.

^{31:4} 💰 The poor laboreth in his poor estate, and when he

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**leaveth off, he is still
needy. ^{31:5} 💰 He that
loveth gold shall not
be justified, and he
that followeth
corruption, shall have
enough thereof.**

**^{31:6} 💰 Gold hath been
the ruin of many, and
their destruction was
present. ^{31:7} It is a
stumbling block unto
them that sacrifice
unto it, and every fool
shall be taken**

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therewith.

31:8 💰 Blessed is the

**rich that is found
without blemish, and
hath not gone after**

gold: 31:9 Who is he?

**and we will call him
blessed: for wonderful
things hath he done
among his people.**

**31:10 Who hath been
tried thereby, and
found perfect? then let
him glory. Who might
offend and hath not**

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**offended, or done evil,
and hath not done it?**

**31:11 His goods shall
be established, and
the congregation shall
declare his alms.**

**31:12 🍴 If thou sit at a
bountiful table, be not
greedy upon it, and
say not, There is
much meat on it.**

**31:13 📌 Remember that
a wicked eye is an evil
thing: and what is
created more wicked**

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**than an eye? therefore
it weepeth upon every
occasion. ³¹:14 Stretch**

**not thine hand
whithersoever it
looketh, and thrust it
not with him into the
dish. ³¹:15 Judge of**

**thy neighbor by
thyself: and be
discreet in every
point. ³¹:16 🍴🍽️ Eat as it
becometh a man
those things which
are set before thee:**

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**and devour not, lest
thou be hated.**

**31:17 Leave off first for
manners sake, and be
not unsatiable, lest
thou offend.**

**31:18 When thou sittest
among many, reach
not thine hand out
first of all. 31:19 A very
little is sufficient for a
man well nurtured,
and he fetcheth not
his wind short upon
his bed.**

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31:20 🛏️🍴 Sound sleep cometh of moderate eating: he riseth early, and his wits are with him, but the pain of watching and choller, and pangs of the belly are with an unsatiabable man. 31:21 🍴 And if thou hast been forced to eat, arise, go forth, vomit, and thou shalt have rest. 31:22 My son, hear me, and despise me not, and at

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**the last thou shalt find
as I told thee: in all thy
works be quick, so
shall there no
sickness come unto**

thee. ^{31:}23 🍷 Who so is

**liberal of his meat,
men shall speak well
of him, and the report**

**of his good
housekeeping will be**

**believed. ^{31:}24 But
against him that is a
niggard of his meat,
the whole city shall**

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murmur; and the testimonies of his niggardness shall not be doubted of.

31:25 🍷 Shew not thy valiantness in wine, for wine hath destroyed many.

31:26 🍷 The furnace proveth the edge by dipping: so doth wine the hearts of the proud by drunkenness.

31:27 🍷 Wine is as

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**good as life to a man
if it be drunk
moderately: what life
is then to a man that
is without wine? for it
was made to make
men glad. ³¹:28 🍷 Wine
measurably drunk,
and in season,
bringeth gladness of
the heart and
cheerfulness of the
mind. ³¹:29 🍷 But wine
drunken with excess,
maketh bitterness of**

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**the mind, with
brawling and
quarreling.**

**31:30 🍸 Drunken-ness
increaseth the rage of
a fool till he offend, it
diminisheth strength,
and maketh wounds.**

**31:31 🍸 Rebuke not thy
neighbor at the wine,
and despise him not
in his mirth: give him
no despiteful words,
and press not upon
him with urging him**

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(to drink.)

niggard=stingy; unwilling to share; irresponsible in management of personal business, particularly in finances/charity

ECCLESIASTICUS 32

32:1 If thou be made the master (of the feast) lift not thyself up, but be among them as one of the rest, take diligent care for them, and so sit down. **32:2** And when

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**thou hast done all thy
office, take thy place
that thou mayest be
merry with them, and
receive a crown for
thy well ordering of
the feast. ^{32:3} Speak
thou that art the elder,
for it becometh thee,
but with sound
judgement, and hinder
not music. ^{32:4} Pour
not out words where
there is a musician,
and shew not forth**

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wisdom out of time.

32:5 A consort of music in a banquet of wine, is as a signet of carbuncle set in gold.

32:6 🎵 🍷 As a signet of an emerald set in a work of gold, so is the melody of music with pleasant wine.

32:7 Speak young man, if there be need of thee: and yet scarcely when thou art twice asked: **32:8** Let thy

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**speech be short,
comprehending much
in few words, be as
one that knoweth, and
yet holdeth his
tongue. ^{32:9} If thou be
among great men,
make not thyself equal
with them, and when
ancient men are in
place, use not many
words. ^{32:10} Before the
thunder goeth
lightening: and before
a shamefast man shall**

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go favor. ^{32:}11 Rise up
betimes, and be not
the last: but get thee
home without delay.

^{32:}12 There take thy
pastime, and do what
thou wilt: but sin not
by proud speech

^{32:}13 And for these
things bless him that
made thee, and hath
replenished thee with
his good things.

^{32:}14 Who so feareth
the Lord, will receive

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**his discipline, and
they that seek him
early, shall find favor.**

**^{32:}15 He that seeketh
the law, shall be filled
therewith: but the
hypocrite will be
offended thereat.**

**^{32:}16 They that fear the
Lord shall find
judgement, and shall
kindle justice as a
light. ^{32:}17 A sinful**

**man will not be
reproved, but findeth**

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an excuse according to his will. ^{32:}18 A man of counsel will be considerate, but a strange and proud man is not daunted with fear, even when of himself he hath done without counsel.

^{32:}19 Do nothing without advice, and when thou hast once done, repent not.

^{32:}20 Go not in a way wherein thou mayest

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**fall, and stumble not
among the stones.**

**32:21 Be not confident
in a plain way.**

**32:22 And beware of
thine own children.**

**32:23 In every good
work trust thy own
soul: for this is the
keeping of the
commandments.**

**32:24 He that believeth
in the Lord, taketh
heed to the
commandment, and**

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**he that trusted in him,
shall fare never the
worse.**

ECCLESIASTICUS 33

33:1 There shall no evil
happen unto him that
feareth the Lord, but
in temptation even
again he will deliver
him. **33:2** **A wise man**
hateth not the Law,
but he that is an
hypocrite therein, is

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as a ship in a storm.

^{33:}3 A man of understanding trusteth in the Law, and the Law is faithful unto him, as an oracle. ^{33:}4 Prepare what to say, and so thou shalt be heard, and bind up instruction, and then make answer. ^{33:}5 The heart of the foolish is like a cartwheel: and his thoughts are like a

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rolling Axel tree. ^{33:6} A stallion horse is as a mocking friend, he neigheth under every one that sitteth upon him. ^{33:7} Why doth one day excel another? when as all the light of every day in the year is of the Sun. ^{33:8} By the knowledge of the Lord they were distinguished: and he altered seasons and feasts. ^{33:9} Some of

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**them hath he made
high days, and
hallowed them, and
some of them hath he
made ordinary days.**

**^{33:}10 And all men are
from the ground, and
Adam was created of
earth. ^{33:}11 In much
knowledge the Lord
hath divided them,
and made their ways
diverse. 12 Some of
them hath he blessed,
and exalted, and some**

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of them hath he sanctified, and set near himself: but some of them hath he cursed, and brought low, and turned out of their places. ^{33:}13 As the clay is in the potters hand to fashion it at his pleasure: so man is in the hand of him that made him, to render to them as liketh him best. ^{33:}14 Good is set

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**against evil, and life
against death: so is
the godly against the
sinner, and the sinner
against the godly.**

**33:15 So look upon all
the works of the most
High, and there are
two and two, one
against another. 33:16 I
awaked up last of all,
as one that gathereth
after the grape-
gatherers: by the
blessing of the Lord I**

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**profited, and filled my
wine-press, like a
gatherer of grapes.**

**33:17 Consider that I
labored not for my self
only, but for all them
that seek learning;**

**33:18 Hear me, O ye
great men of the
people, and hearken
with your ears ye
rulers of the
Congregation:**

**33:19 Give not thy son,
and wife, thy brother**

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and friend power over thee while thou livest, and give not thy goods to another, lest it repent thee: and thou intreat for the same again. ^{33:}20 As long as thou livest and hast breath in thee, give not thyself over to any. ^{33:}21 For better it is that thy children should seek to thee, then that thou shouldest stand to

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their courtesy. ^{33:}22 In all thy works keep to thyself the preeminence, leave not a stain in thine honor. ^{33:}23 At the time when thou shalt end thy days, and finish thy life, distribute thine inheritance.

^{33:}24 Fodder, a wand, and burdens, are for the ass: and bread, correction, and work

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for a servant. ^{33:}25 If thou set thy servant to labor, thou shalt find rest: but if thou let him go idle, he shall seek liberty. ^{33:}26 A yoke and a collar do bow the neck: so are tortures and torments for an evil servant. ^{33:}27 Send him to labor that he be not idle: for idleness teacheth much evil. ^{33:}28 Set him to work, as is fit

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for him; if he be not obedient, put on more heavy fetters. ^{33:}29 But be not excessive toward any, and without discretion do nothing. ^{33:}30 If thou have a servant, let him be unto thee as thyself, because thou hast bought him with a price. ^{33:}31 If thou have a servant, entreat him as a brother: for thou hast

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**need of him, as of
thine own soul: if thou
entreat him evil, and
he run from thee,
which way wilt thou
go to seek him?**

ECCLESIASTICUS 34

**34:1 The hopes of a
man void of
understanding are
vain, and false: and
dreams lift up fools.**
**34:2 Who so regardeth
dreams, is like him**

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that catcheth at a shadow, and followeth after the wind. ^{34:}3 The

vision of dreams is the resemblance of one thing to another, even as the likeness of a face to a face.

^{34:}4 Of an unclean thing, what can be cleansed? and from that thing which is false, what truth can come?

^{34:}5 Divinations, and

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**soothsayings, and
dreams are vain: and
the heart fancieth as a
woman's heart in
travail. ^{34:}6 If they be
not sent from the most
high in thy visitation,
set not thy heart upon
them. ^{34:}7 For dreams
have deceived
many, and they have
failed that put their
trust in them.
^{34:}8  The law shall be
found perfect without**

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**lies: and wisdom is
perfection to a faithful
mouth.**

**34:9 A man that hath
travailed knoweth
many things: and he
that hath much
experience, will
declare wisdom.**

**34:10 He that hath no
experience, knoweth
little: but he that hath
34:11 travailed, is full of
prudence. 34:11 When I
travailed, I saw many**

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**things: and I
understand more,
than I can express.**

**34:12 I was oft times in
danger of death, yet I
was delivered
because of these
things.**

**34:13 The spirit of
those that fear the
Lord shall live, for
their hope is in him
that saweth them.**

**34:14 Who so feareth
the Lord, shall not fear**

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**nor be afraid, for he is
his hope.**

**34:15 Blessed is the
soul of him that
feareth the Lord: to
whom doeth he look?
and who is his
strength? 34:16 For the
eyes of the Lord are
upon them that love
him, he is their mighty
protection, and strong
stay, a defense from
heat, and a cover from
the sun at noon, a**

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**preservation from
stumbling, and a help
from falling. ^{34:17} He
raiseth up the soul,
and lighteneth the
eyes: he giveth health,
life, and blessing.**

**^{34:18} He that
sacrificeth of a thing
wrongfully gotten, his
offering is ridiculous,
and the gifts of unjust
men are not accepted.**

**^{34:19} The most high is
not pleased with the**

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offerings of the wicked, neither is he pacified for sin by the multitude of sacrifices. ^{34:}20 Who so bringeth an offering of the goods of the poor, doeth as one that killeth the son before his father's eyes.

^{34:}21 The bread of the needy, is their life: he that defraudeth him thereof, is a man of

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**blood. ^{34:}22 He that
taketh away his
neighbors living,
slayeth him: and he
that defraudeth the
laborer of his hire, is a
bloodshedder.**

**^{34:}23 When one
buildeth, and another
pulleth down, what
profit have they then
but labor? ^{34:}24 When
one prayeth, and
another curseth,
whose voice will the**

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Lord hear? ^{34:}**25** He that washeth himself after the touching of a dead body, if he touch it again, what availeth his washing?

^{34:}**26** **So is it with a man that fasteth for his sins, and goeth again and doeth the same: who will hear his prayer, or what doeth his humbling profit him.**

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35:1 He that keepeth
the law, bringeth
offerings enough: he
that taketh heed to the
commandment,
offereth a peace
offering. **35:2** He that
requiteth a good turn,
offereth fine flour: and
he that giveth alms,
sacrificeth praise.
35:3 To depart from
wickedness is a thing

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**pleasing to the Lord:
and to forsake
unrighteousness, is a
propitiation. ^{35:4} Thou
shalt not appear
empty before the
Lord: ^{35:5} For all these
things *are to be done*
because of the
commandment.
^{35:6} The offering of the
righteous maketh the
Altar fat, and the
sweet savor thereof is
before the most high.**

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35:7 The sacrifice of a just man is acceptable, and the memorial thereof shall never be forgotten.

35:8 Give the Lord his honor with a good eye, and diminish not the first fruits of thine hands.

35:9 In all thy gifts shew a cheerful countenance, and dedicate thy tithes with gladness.

35:10 Give unto the

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**most high, according
as he hath enriched
thee, and as thou hast
gotten, give with a
cheerful eye. ^{35:}11 For**

**the Lord
recompenseth, and
will give thee seven
times as much.**

**^{35:}12 Do not think to
corrupt with gifts, for
such he will not
receive: and trust not
to unrighteous
sacrifices, for the Lord**

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**is judge, and with him
is no respect of
persons. ^{35:13} He will
not accept any person
against a poor man:
but will hear the
prayer of the
oppressed. ^{35:14} He
will not despise the
supplication of the
fatherless: nor the
widow when she
poureth out her
complaint. ^{35:15} Doeth
not the tears run down**

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**the widows cheeks?
and is not her cry
against him that
causeth them to fall?**

**35:16 He that serveth
the Lord, shall be
accepted with favor,
and his prayer shall
reach unto the clouds.**

**35:17 The prayer of the
humble pierceth the
clouds: and till it
come nigh he will not
be comforted: and will
not depart till the most**

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**High shall behold to
judge righteously, and
execute judgment.**

**35:18 For the Lord will
not be slack, neither
will the mighty be
patient towards them,
till he hath smitten in
sunder the loins of the
unmerciful, and repaid
vengeance to the
heathen: till he have
taken away the
multitude of the
proud, and broken the**

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**scepter of the
unrighteous: ^{35:19} Till
he have rendered to
every man according
to his deeds, and to
the works of men
according to their
devises, till he have
judged the cause of
his people: and made
them to rejoice in his
mercy, ^{35:20} Mercy is
seasonable in the time
of affliction, as clouds**

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**of rain in the time of
drought.**

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**36:1 Have mercy
upon us, O Lord
God of all, and
behold us: 36:2 And
send thy fear upon
all the nations that
seek not after thee.
36:3 Lift up thy hand
against the strange
nations, and let**

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them see thy power.

^{36:}4 As thou wast sanctified in us before them: so be thou magnified among them before us. ^{36:}5 And let them know thee, as we have known thee, that there is no God, but only thou, O God. ^{36:}6 Shew new signs, and make other strange wonders: glorify thy

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**hand and thy right
arm, that they may
set forth thy
wondrous works.**

**^{36:7} Raise up
indignation, and
pour out wrath: take
away the adversary
and destroy the
enemy. ^{36:8} Make the
time short,
remember the
covenant, and let
them declare thy
wonderful works.**

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36:9 Let him that escapeth, be consumed by the rage of the fire, and let them perish that oppress the people.

36:10 Smite in sunder the heads of the rulers of the heathen, that say, There is none other but we.

36:11 Gather all the tribes of Jacob together, and inherit thou them,

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**as from the
beginning. ^{36:12} O
Lord have mercy
upon the people,
that is called by thy
name, and upon
Israel, whom thou
hast named thy first
borne. ^{36:13} O be
merciful unto
Jerusalem thy holy
city, the place of thy
rest. ^{36:14} Fill Sion
with thine
unspeakable oracles,**

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and thy people with thy glory. ^{36:}15 Give testimony unto those that thou hast possessed from the beginning, and raise up prophets that have been in thy name.

^{36:}16 Reward them that wait for thee, and let thy prophets be found faithful. ^{36:}17 O Lord hear the prayer of thy servants, according to the blessing of Aaron

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**over thy people, that
all they which dwell
upon the earth, may
know that thou art the
Lord, the eternal God.**

**^{36:}18 The belly
devoureth all meats,
yet is one meat better
than another. ^{36:}19 As
the palate tasteth
divers kinds of
venison: so doth an
heart of
understanding false
speeches. ^{36:}20 A**

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**froward heart causeth
heaviness: but a man
of experience will
recompense him.**

**^{36:}21 A woman will
receive every man, yet
is one daughter better
than another ^{36:}22 The
beauty of a woman
cheereth the
countenance, and a
man loveth nothing
better. ^{36:}23 If there be
kindness, meekness,
and comfort in her**

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tongue, then is not her husband like other men. ^{36:}24 He that

getteth a wife, beginneth a possession, a help like unto himself, and a pillar of rest.

^{36:}25 Where no hedge is, there the possession is spoiled: and he that hath no wife will wander up and down mourning.

^{36:}26 Who will trust a

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**thief well appointed,
that skippeth from city
to city? so *who will
believe* a man that
hath no house? and
lodgeth wheresoever
the night taketh him?**

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**37:1 Every friend
sayeth, I am his friend
also: but there is a
friend which is only
a friend in name.**

37:2 Is it not a grief

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unto death, when a companion and friend is turned to an enemy? ^{37:3} O wicked imagination, whence camest thou in to cover the earth with deceit? ^{37:4} There is a companion, which rejoiceth in the prosperity of a friend: but in the time of trouble will be against him. ^{37:5} There is a companion which

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helpeth his friend for the belly, and taketh up the buckler against the enemy. ^{37:6} Forget

not thy friend in thy mind, and be not unmindful of him in thy riches. ^{37:7} Every counselor extoleth counsel; but there is some that counseleth for himself.

^{37:8} Beware of a counselor, and know before what need he

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**hath (for he will
counsel for himself)
lest he cast the lot
upon thee: ^{37:9} And
say unto thee, Thy
way is good: and
afterward he stand on
the other side, to see
what shall befall thee.**

**^{37:10} Consult not with
one that suspecteth
thee: and hide thy
counsel from such as
envy thee.**

^{37:11} Neither consult

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**with a woman
touching her of whom
she is jealous; neither
with a coward in
matters of war, nor
with a merchant
concerning exchange;
nor with a buyer of
selling; nor with an
envious man of
thankfulness; nor with
an unmerciful man
touching kindness;
nor with the slouthful
for any work; nor with**

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**an hireling for a year,
of finishing work; nor
with an idle servant of
much business:**

**Hearken not unto
these in any matter of
counsel. ³⁷:12 But be
continually with a
godly man, whom
thou knowest to keep
the commandments of
the Lord, whose mind
is according to thy
mind, and will sorrow
with thee, if thou shalt**

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**miscarry. ^{37:13} And let
the counsel of thine
own heart stand: for
there is no man more
faithful unto thee than
it. ^{37:14} For a man's
mind is sometime
wont to tell him more
than seven watchmen,
that sit above in an
high tower. ^{37:15} And
above all this pray to
the most high, that he
will direct thy way in
truth. ^{37:16} Let reason**

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**go before every
enterprise, and
counsel before every
action. ^{37:17} The
countenance is a sign
of changing of the
heart. ^{37:18} Four
manner of things
appear: good and evil,
life and death: but the
tongue ruleth over
them continually.
^{37:19} There is one that
is **wise** and teacheth
many, and yet is**

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unprofitable to himself. ^{37:20} There is one that sheweth wisdom in words, and is hated: he shall be destitute of all food.

^{37:21} For grace is not given him from the Lord: because he is deprived of all wisdom. ^{37:22} Another is wise to himself: and the fruits of understanding are commendable in his

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mouth. ^{37:23} A **wise** man instructeth his people, and the fruits of his **understanding** fail not. ^{37:24} A **wise** man shall be filled with blessing, and all they that see him, shall count him happy. ^{37:25} The days of the life of man may be numbered: but the days of Israel are innumerable. ^{37:26} A **wise** man shall inherit

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glory among his people, and his name shall be perpetual.

^{37:}27 My son prove thy soul in thy life, and see what is evil for it, and give not that unto it. ^{37:}28 For all things are not profitable for all men, neither hath every soul pleasure in every thing. ^{37:}29 Be not insatiable in any dainty thing: nor **too greedy upon meats.**

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37:30 For excess of meats, bringeth sickness, and surfeiting will turn into choler. 37:31 By surfeiting have many perished, but he that taketh heed, prolongeth his life.

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38:1 Honor a physician with the honor due unto him, for the uses

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**which you may have
of him: for the Lord
hath created him.**

**38:2 For of the most
High cometh healing,
and he shall receive
honor of the King.**

**38:3 The skill of the
physician shall lift up
his head: and in the
sight of great men he
shall be in admiration.**

**38:4 The Lord hath
created medicines out
of the earth; and he**

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that is **wise** will not
abhor them. ^{38:5} Was

not the water made
sweet with wood, that
the virtue thereof
might be known?

^{38:6} And he hath given
men skill, that he
might be honored in
his marvelous works.

^{38:7} With such doeth
he heal men, and
taketh away their
pains. ^{38:8} Of such
doeth the apothecary

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**make a confection;
and of his works there
is no end, and from
him is peace over all
the earth. ^{38:9} My son,**

**in thy sickness be not
negligent: but pray
unto the Lord, and he
will make thee whole.**

**^{38:10} Leave off from
sin, and order thy
hands aright, and
cleanse thy heart from
all wickedness.**

^{38:11} Give a sweet

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savor, and a memorial of fine flour: and make a fat offering, as not being. ^{38:}12 Then give place to the physician, for the Lord hath created him: let him not go from thee, for thou hast need of him.

^{38:}13 There is a time when in their hands there is good success.

^{38:}14 For they shall also pray unto the Lord, that he would

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prosper that, which they give, for ease and remedy to prolong life.

38:15 He that sinneth before his maker, let him fall into the hand of the physician.

38:16 My son, let tears fall down over the dead, and begin to lament, as if thou hadst suffered great harm thyself: and then cover his body according to the

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**custom, and neglect
not his burial.**

**38:17 Weep bitterly,
and make great moan,
and use lamentation,
as he is worthy, and
that a day or two, lest
thou be evil spoken
of: and then comfort
thyself for thy
heaviness. 38:18 For of
heaviness cometh
death, and the
heaviness of the
heart, breaketh**

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strength. ^{38:}19 In affliction also sorrow remaineth: and the life of the poor, is the curse of the heart.

^{38:}20 Take no heaviness to heart: drive it away, and remember the last end. ^{38:}21 Forget it not, for there is no turning again: thou shalt not do him good, but hurt thyself.

^{38:}22 Remember my

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**judgment: for thine
also shall be so;
yesterday for me, and
to day for thee.**

**38:23 When the dead is
at rest, let his
remembrance rest,
and be comforted for
him, when his spirit is
departed from him.**

**38:24 The wisdom of a
learned man cometh
by opportunity of
leisure: and he that
hath little business**

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shall become wise.

38:25 How can he get
wisdom that holdeth
the plow, and that
glorieth in the goad;
that driveth oxen, and
is occupied in their
labors, and whose talk
is of bullocks?

38:26 He giveth his
mind to make furrows:
and is diligent to give
the kine fodder.

38:27 So every
carpenter, and

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workmaster, that laboreth night and day: and they that cut and grave seals, and are diligent to make great variety, and give themselves to counterfeit imagery, and watch to finish a work. ³⁸:28 The smith also sitting by the anvil, and considering the iron work; the vapor of the fire wasteth his flesh, and

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**he fighteth with the
heat of the furnace:
the noise of the
hammer and the anvil
is ever in his ears, and
his eyes look still
upon the pattern of
the thing that he
maketh, he setteth his
mind to finish his
work, and watcheth to
polish it perfectly.**

**^{38:}29 So doeth the
potter sitting at his
work, and turning the**

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wheel about with his feet, who is alway carefully set at his work: and maketh all his work by number.

³⁸:30 He fashioneth the clay with his arm, and boweth down his strength before his feet: he applieth himself to lead it over; and he is diligent to make clean the furnace. ³⁸:31 All these trust to their hands:

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**and every one is wise
in his work.**

**38:32 Without these
cannot a city be
inhabited: and they
shall not dwell where
they will, nor go up
and down. 38:33 They
shall not be sought for
in public counsel; nor
sit high in the
congregation: they
shall not sit on the
Judges seat, nor
understand the**

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**sentence of judgment:
they cannot declare
justice, and judgment,
and they shall not be
found where parables
are spoken. ^{38:}34 But
they will maintain the
state of the world, and
all their desire is in
the work of their craft.**

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**^{39:}1 But he that giveth
his mind to the Law of**

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the most high, and is occupied in the meditation thereof, will seek out the wisdom of all the ancient, and be occupied in prophecies. ^{39:2} He will keep the sayings of the renowned men: and where subtle parables are, he will be there also. ^{39:3} He will seek out the secrets of grave

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**sentences, and be
conversant in dark
parables. ^{39:4} He shall
serve among great
men, and appear
before princes: he will
travel through strange
countries, for he hath
tried the good, and the
evil among men.**

**^{39:5} He will give his
heart to resort early to
the Lord that made
him, and will pray
before the most high,**

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and will open his mouth in prayer, and make supplication for his sins. ^{39:6} When the great Lord will, he shall be filled with the spirit of understanding: he shall pour out wise sentences, and give thanks unto the Lord in his prayer. ^{39:7} He shall direct his counsel and knowledge, and in his

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secrets shall he meditate. ^{39:8} He shall shew forth that which he hath learned, and shall glory in the Law of the covenant of the Lord. ^{39:9} Many shall commend his understanding, and so long as the world endureth, it shall not be blotted out, his memorial shall not depart away, and his name shall live from

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**generation to
generation.**

**39:10 Nations shall
shew forth his
wisdom, and the
congregation shall
declare his praise.**

**39:11 If he die, he shall
leave a greater name
than a thousand: and
if he live, he shall
increase it. 39:12 Yet I
have more to say
which I have thought
upon, for I am filled as**

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the Moon at the full.

**^{39:13} Hearken unto me,
ye holy children, and
bud forth as a rose
growing by the brook
of the field: ^{39:14} And
give ye a sweet
savour as
frankincense, and
flourish as a lily, send
forth a smell, and sing
a song of praise, bless
the Lord in all his
works. ^{39:15} Magnify
his Name, and shew**

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**forth his praise with
the songs of your lips,
and with harps, and in
praising him you shall
say after this manner:**

**^{39:}16 All the works of
the Lord are
exceeding good, and
whatsoever he
commandeth, shall be
accomplished in due
season. ^{39:}17 And
none may say, What is
this? wherefore is
that? for at time**

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**convenient they shall
all be sought out: at
his commandment the
waters stood as an
heap, and at the
words of his mouth
the receptacles of
waters. ^{39:}18 At his
commandment is
done whatsoever
pleaseth him, and
none can hinder when
he will save. ^{39:}19 The
works of all flesh are
before him, and**

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**nothing can be hid
from his eyes. ^{39:}20 He
seeth from everlasting
to everlasting, and
there is nothing
wonderful before him.**

**^{39:}21 A man need not
to say, What is this?
wherefore is that? for
he hath made all
things for their uses.**

**^{39:}22 His blessing
covered the dry land
as a river, and watered
it as a flood. ^{39:}23 As**

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**he hath turned the
waters into saltness:
so shall the heathen
inherit his wrath.**

**^{39:}24 As his ways are
plain unto the holy, so
are they stumbling
blocks unto the
wicked. ^{39:}25 For the
good, are good things
created from the
beginning: so evil
things for sinners.**

**^{39:}26 The principal
things for the whole**

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use of man's life, are water, fire, iron, and salt, flour of wheat, honey, milk, and the blood of the grape, and oil, and clothing.

^{39:}27 All these things are for good to the godly: so to the sinners they are turned into evil.

^{39:}28 There be spirits that are created for vengeance, which in their fury lay on sore

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strokes, in the time of destruction they pour out their force, and appease the wrath of him that made them.

^{39:}29 Fire, and hail, and famine, and death: all these were created for vengeance: ^{39:}30 Teeth of wild beasts, and scorpions, serpents, and the sword, punishing the wicked to destruction.

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**39:31 They shall rejoice
in his commandment,
and they shall be
ready upon earth
when need is, and
when their time is
come, they shall not
transgress his word.**

**39:32 Therefore from
the beginning I was
resolved, and thought
upon these things,
and have left them in
writing. 39:33 All the
works of the Lord**

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**are good: and he
will give every
needful thing in
due season.**

**9:34 So that a man
cannot say, This
is worse than that:
for in time they
shall all be well
approved.**

**39:35 And therefore
praise ye the Lord
with the whole heart
and mouth, and bless
the name of the Lord.**

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40:1 Great travail is created for every man, and an heavy yoke is upon the sons of Adam, from the day that they go out of their mothers womb, til the day that they return to the mother of all things. 40:2 Their imagination of things to come, and the day of death trouble their

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thoughts, and *cause* fear of heart: **40:3** From him that sitteth on a throne of glory, unto him that is humbled in earth and ashes.

40:4 From him that weareth purple, and a crown, unto him that is clothed with a linen frock. **40:5** Wrath, and envy, trouble and unquietness, fear of death, and anger, and strife, and in the time

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**of rest upon his bed,
his night sleep do
change his
knowledge. ⁴⁰:6 A little
or nothing is his rest,
and afterward he is in
his sleep, as in a day
of keeping watch,
troubled in the vision
of his heart, as if he
were escaped out of a
battle: ⁴⁰:7 When all is
safe, he awaketh, and
marvelleth that the
fear was nothing.**

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40:8 Such things happen unto all flesh, both man and beast, and that is seven fold more upon sinners.

40:9 Death and bloodshed, strife and sword, calamities, famine, tribulation, and the scourge:

40:10 These things are created for the wicked, and for their sakes came the flood.

40:11 All things that are

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**of the earth shall turn
to the earth again: and
that which is of the
waters doeth return
into the Sea. ^{40:}12 All
bribery and injustice
shall be blotted out:
but true dealing shall
endure for ever.**

**^{40:}13 The goods of the
unjust shall be dried
up like a river, and
shall vanish with
noise, like a great
thunder in rain.**

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40:14 While he openeth his hand he shall rejoice: so shall transgressors come to naught. 40:15 The children of the ungodly shall not bring forth many branches: but are as unclean roots upon a hard rock. 40:16 The weed growing upon every water, and bank of a river, shall be pulled up before all

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grass.

40:17 Bountifulness is as a most fruitful garden, and mercifulness endureth for ever. 40:18 To labor and to be content with that a man hath, is a sweet life: but he that findeth a treasure, is above them both. 40:19 Children and the building of a city continue a man's name: but a blameless

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wife is counted above them both. ^{40:}20 Wine and music rejoice the heart: but the love of **wisdom** is above them both. ^{40:}21 The pipe and the psaltery make sweet melody: but a pleasant tongue is above them both. ^{40:}22 Thine eye desireth favor and beauty: but more than both, corn while it is green. ^{40:}23 A friend

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and companion never meet amiss: but above both is a wife with her husband.

^{40:}24 Brethren and help are against time of trouble: but alms shall deliver more than them both.

^{40:}25 Gold and silver make the foot stand sure: but counsel is esteemed above them both. ^{40:}26 Riches and strength lift up

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**the heart: but the
fear of the Lord is
above them both:
there is no want in
the fear of the
Lord, and it
needeth not to
seek help. ^{40:}27 The
fear of the Lord is a
fruitful garden, and
covereth him above all
glory. ^{40:}28 My son,
lead not a beggar's
life: for better it is to**

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die than to beg.

40:29 The life of him that dependeth on another man's table, is not to be counted for a life: for he polluteth himself with other men's meat, but a wise man well nurtured will beware thereof. 40:30 Begging is sweet in the mouth of the shameless: but in his belly there shall burn a fire.

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41:1 ☠️ **O death**, how bitter is the remembrance of thee to a man that liveth at rest in his possessions, unto the man that hath nothing to vex him, and that hath prosperity in all things: yea unto him that is yet able to receive meat? **41:2** ☠️ **O death**, acceptable is

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**thy sentence unto the
needy, and unto him
whose strength
faileth, that is now in
the last age, and is
vexed with all things,
and to him that
despaireth and hath
lost patience.**

**41:3 ☠ Fear not the
sentence of death,
remember them that
have been before
thee, and that come
after, for this is the**

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**sentence of the Lord
over all flesh.**

41:4  **And why art thou
against the pleasure
of the most High?
there is no inquisition
in the grave, whether
thou have lived ten, or
a hundred, or a
thousand years.**

  **41:5 The children
of sinners, are
abominable children:
and they that are
conversant in the**

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**dwelling of the
ungodly.   41:6 The
inheritance of sinners'
children shall perish,
and their posterity
shall have a perpetual
reproach.   41:7 The
children will complain
of an ungodly father,
because they shall be
reproached for his
sake. 41:8  Woe be
unto you ungodly men
which have forsaken
the law of the most**

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**high God: for if you
increase, it shall be to
your destruction.**

**41:9 ☠ And if you be
born, you shall be
born to a curse: and if
you die, a curse shall
be your portion.**

**41:10 ☠ All that are of
the earth shall turn to
earth again: so the
ungodly shall go from
a curse to destruction.**

**41:11 The mourning of
men is about their**

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**bodies: but an ill
name of sinners shall
be blotted out.**

**41:12 Have regard to
thy name: for that
shall continue with
thee above a
thousand great
treasures of gold.**

**41:13 A good life hath
but few days: but a
good name endureth
for ever. 41:14**

**My
children, keep
discipline in peace:**

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**for wisdom that is hid,
and a treasure that is
not seen, what profit
is in them both?**

**41:15 A man that hideth
his foolishness is
better than a man that
hideth his wisdom.**

**41:16 Therefore be
shamefaced
according to my word:
for it is not good to
retain all
shamefacedness,
neither is it altogether**

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**approved in every
thing. ^{41:17} Be
ashamed of
whoredom before
father and mother,
and of a lie before a
prince and a mighty
man: ^{41:18} Of an
offence before a judge
and ruler, of iniquity
before a congregation
and people, of unjust
dealing before thy
partner and friend:
^{41:19} And of theft in**

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**regard of the place
where thou
sojournest, and in
regard of the truth of
God and his covenant,
and to lean with thine
elbow upon the meat,
and of scorning to
give and take:**

**41:20 And of silence
before them that
salute thee, and to
look upon an harlot:**

**41:21 And to turn away
thy face from thy**

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kinsman, or to take away a portion or a gift, or to gaze upon another mans wife,

41:22 Or to be

overbusy with his maid, and come not near her bed, or of upbraiding speeches before friends; and after thou hast given, upbraid not: 41:23 Or of iterating and speaking again that which thou hast heard, and of

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revealing of secrets.

41:24 So shalt thou
be truly shamefaced,
and find favor
before all men.

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41:1 Of these things be
not thou ashamed,
and accept no person
to sin thereby. **42:2** Of
the Law of the most
High, and his
Covenant, and of

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**judgement to justify
the ungodly: ^{42:3} Of
reckoning with thy
partners, and
travelers: or of the gift
of the heritage of
friends: ^{42:4} Of
exactness of balance,
and weights: or of
getting much or little:
^{42:5} And of merchants
indifferent selling, of
much correction of
children, and to make
the side of an evil**

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servant to bleed.

42:6 Sure keeping is good where an evil wife is, and shut up where many hands are. 42:7 Deliver all things in number and weight, and put all in writing that thou givest out, or receivest in. 42:8 Be not ashamed to inform the unwise and foolish, and the extreme aged that

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**contendeth with those
that are young, thus
shalt thou be trueely
learned and approved
of all men living.**

**42:9 The father waketh
for the daughter when
no man knoweth, and
the care for her taketh
away sleep; when she
is young lest she pass
away the flower of her
age, and being
married, lest she
should be hated:**

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**42:10 In her virginity
lest she should be
defiled, and gotten
with child in her
fathers house; and
having an husband,
lest she should
misbehave herself:
and when she is
married, lest she
should be barren.**

**42:11 Keep a sure
watch over a
shameless daughter,
lest she make thee a**

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**laughing stock to
thine enemies, and a
by-word in the city,
and a reproach among
the people, and make
thee ashamed before
the multitude.**

**42:12 Behold not every
bodies beauty, and sit
not in the midst of
women. 42:13 For from**

**garments cometh a
moth, and from
women wickedness.**

42:14 Better is the

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churlishness of a man, than a courteous woman, a woman I say, which bringeth shame and reproach.

^{42:}15 I will now remember the works of the Lord, and declare the things that I have seen: in the words of the Lord are his works. ^{42:}16 The Sun that giveth light, looketh upon all things: and the work

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**thereof is full of the
glory of the Lord.**

**42:17 The Lord hath not
given power to the
Saints to declare all
his marvelous works,
which the Almighty
Lord firmly settled,
that whatsoever is,
might be established
for his glory. 42:18 He
seeketh out the deep
and the heart, and
considereth their
crafty devices: for the**

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Lord knoweth all that may be known, and he beholdeth the signs of the world. ^{42:}19

He declareth the things that are past, and for to come, and revealeth the steps of hidden things. ^{42:}20 No thought escapeth him, neither any word is hidden from him.

^{42:}21 He hath garnished the excellent works of his

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wisdom, and he is from everlasting to everlasting, unto him may nothing be added, neither can he be diminished, and he hath no need of any counselor. ^{42:}22 O how desirable are all his works: and that a man may see even to a spark. ^{42:}23 All these things live and remain for ever, for all uses, and they are all

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obedient. ^{42:}24 All things are double one against another: and he hath made nothing imperfect. ^{42:}25 One thing establisheth the good of another: and who shall be filled with beholding his glory?

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^{43:}1 The **pride** of the height, the clear

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**firmament, the beauty
of heaven, with his
glorious shew;**

**^{43:}2 The sun when it
appeareth, declaring
at his rising, a
marvelous instrument,
the work of the most
High. ^{43:}3 At noon it
parcheth the country,
and who can abide the
burning heat thereof?**

**^{43:}4 A man blowing a
furnace is in works of
heat, but the Sun**

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**burneth the mountains
three times more;
breathing out fiery
vapors, and sending
forth bright beams, it
dimmeth the eyes.**

**⁴³:5 Great is the Lord
that made it, and at
his commandment it
runneth hastily. ⁴³:6 He
made the moon also
to serve in her
season, for a
declaration of times,
and a sign of the**

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world. ^{43:7} From the moon is the sign of feasts, a light that decreaseth in her perfection. ^{43:8} The month is called after her name, increasing wonderfully in her changing, being an instrument of the armies above, shining in the firmament of heaven, ^{43:9} The beauty of heaven, the glory of the stars, an

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**ornament giving light
in the highest places
of the Lord. ^{43:10} At
the commandment of
the holy One, they will
stand in their order,
and never faint in their
watches. ^{43:11} **Look
upon the
rainbow,
and praise him that
made it, very beautiful
it is in the brightness
thereof. ^{43:12} It
compasseth the****

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**heaven about with a
glorious circle, and
the hands of the most
High have bended it.**

**^{43:}13 By his
commandment he
maketh the snow to
fall apace, and
sendeth swiftly the
lightnings of his
judgment.**

**^{43:}14 Through this, the
treasures are opened,
and clouds fly forth as
fouls. ^{43:}15 By his**

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**great power he
maketh the clouds
firm, and the
hailestones are
broken small. ^{43:}16 At
his sight the
mountains are
shaken, and at his will
the South wind
bloweth. ^{43:}17 The
noise of the thunder
maketh the earth to
tremble: so doth the
Northern storm, and
the whirlwind: as**

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**birds flying he
scattereth the snow,
and the falling down
thereof, is as the
lighting of
grasshoppers.**

**43:18 The eye
marvelleth at the
beauty of the
whiteness thereof,
and the heart is
astonished at the
raining of it. 43:19 The
hoar frost also as salt
he poureth on the**

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**earth, and being
congealed, it lieth on
the top of sharp
stakes. ^{43:}20 When the
cold North wind
bloweth, and the water
is congealed into ice,
it abideth upon every
gathering together of
water, and clotheth
the water as with a
breastplate. ^{43:}21 It
devoureth the
mountains, and
burneth the**

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**wilderness, and
consumeth the grass
as fire. ^{43:}22 A present
remedy of all is a mist
coming speedily: a
dew coming after
heat, refresheth.**

**^{43:}23 By his counsel
he appeaseth the
deep, and planteth
lands therein.**

**^{43:}24 They that sail on
the sea, tell of the
danger thereof, and
when we hear it with**

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**our ears, we marvel
thereat. ^{43:}25 For
therein be strange and
wondrous works,
variety of all kinds of
beasts, and whales
created. ^{43:}26 By him
the end of them hath
prosperous success,
and by his word all
things consist.
^{43:}27 We may speak
much, and yet come
short: wherefore in
some, he is all.**

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43:28 How shall we be able to magnify him? for he is great above all his works. **43:29** The Lord is terrible and very great, and marvelous is his power. **43:30** When you glorify the Lord exalt him as much as you can: for even yet will he far exceed, and when you exalt him, put

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**forth all your
strength, and be not
weary: for you
never go far**

**enough. ^{43:}31 Who
hath seen him, that he
might tell us? and who
can magnify him as he
is? ^{43:}32 There are
yet hid greater
things than
these be, for we
have seen but a
few of his**

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works: ^{43:}33 For the
Lord hath made all
things, and to the
godly hath he given
wisdom.

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^{44:}1 Let us now praise
famous men, and our
fathers that begat us.

^{44:}2 The Lord hath
wrought great glory by
them, through his
great power from the

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beginning. ^{44:3} Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power, giving counsel by their **understanding, and declaring prophecies:**

^{44:4} Leaders of the people by their counsels, and learning meet for the people, **wise and eloquent in their instructions. ^{44:5} Such**

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**as found out musical
tunes, and rejected
verses in writing.**

**44:6 Rich men
furnished with ability,
living peaceably in
their habitations.**

**44:7 All these were
honored in their
generations, and were
the glory of their
times. 44:8 There be of
them, that have left a
name behind them,
that their praises**

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might be reported.

44:9 And some there be, which have no memorial, who are perished as though they had never been, and are become as though they had never been borne, and their children after them.

44:10 But these were merciful men, whose righteousness hath not been forgotten.

44:11   With their

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seed shall continually remain a good inheritance, and their children are within the covenant.

44:12   **Their seed stands fast, and their children for their sakes.** **44:13**   **Their seed shall remain for ever, and their glory shall not be blotted out.** **44:14**  **Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name**

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liveth for evermore.

44:15 The people will tell of their wisdom, and the congregation will shew forth their praise. 44:16 Enoch pleased the Lord, and was translated, being an example of repentance, to all generations.

44:17 Noah was found perfect and righteous, in the time of wrath,

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**he was taken in
exchange (for the
world) therefore was
he left as a remnant
unto the earth, when
the flood came.**

**44:18 An everlasting
Covenant was made
with him, that all flesh
should perish no more
by the flood.**

**44:19 Abraham was a
great father of many
people: in glory was
there none like unto**

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him: ⁴⁴:20 Who kept the Law of the most High, and was in covenant with him, he established the Covenant in his flesh, and when he was proved, he was found faithful.

⁴⁴:21 Therefore he assured him by an oath, that he would bless the nations in his seed, and that he would multiply him, as

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**the dust of the earth,
and exalt his seed as
the stars, and cause
them to inherit from
Sea to Sea, and from
the river unto the
utmost part of the
land. ^{44:}22 With Isaac
did he establish
likewise for Abraham
his fathers sake the
blessing of all men
and the covenant,
^{44:}23 And made it rest
upon the head of**

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**Jacob. He
acknowledged him in
his blessing, and gave
him an heritage, and
divided his portions,
among the twelve
tribes did he part
them.**

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**45:1 And he brought
out of him a merciful
man, which found
favor in the sight of all
flesh, even Moses**

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beloved of God and men, whose memorial is blessed: ^{45:}2 He made him like to the glorious Saints, and magnified him, so that his enemies stood in fear of him. ^{45:}3 By his words he caused the wonders to cease, and he made him glorious in the sight of kings, and gave him a commandment for his people, and shewed

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him part of his glory.

^{45:}4 He sanctified him in his faithfulness, and meekness, and chose him out of all men. ^{45:}5 He made him to hear his voice, and brought him into the dark cloud, and gave him commandments before his face, even the law of life and knowledge, that he might teach Jacob his Covenants, and Israel

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his judgments. ^{45:6} He exalted Aaron an holy man like unto him, even his brother, of the tribe of Levi.

^{45:7} An everlasting covenant he made with him, and gave him the priesthood among the people, he beautified him with comely ornaments, and clothed him with a robe of glory. ^{45:8} He put upon him perfect

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**glory: and
strengthened him with
rich garments, with
breeches, with a long
robe, and the Ephod:**

**45:9 And he
compassed him with
pomegranates, and
with many golden
bells round about, that
as he went, there
might be a sound, and
a noise made that
might be heard in the
Temple, for a**

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**memorial to the
children of his people.**

**45:10 With an holy
garment, with gold
and blew silk, and
purple the work of the
embroiderer; with a
breastplate of
judgement, and with
Urim and Thummim.**

**45:11 With twisted
scarlet, the work of
the cunning workman,
with precious stones
graven like seals, and**

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set in gold, the work of the jeweler, with a writing engraved for a memorial, after the number of the tribes of Israel. ^{45:}12 He set a crown of gold upon the miter, wherein was engraved holiness an ornament of honor, a costly work, the desires of the eyes goodly and beautiful. ^{45:}13 Before him there were none such,

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**neither did ever any
stranger put them on,
but only his children,
and his children's
children perpetually.**

**45:14 Their sacrifices
shall be wholly
consumed every day
twice continually.**

**45:15 Moses
consecrated him, and
anoointed him with holy
oil, this was appointed
unto him by an
everlasting covenant,**

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and to his seed so long as the heavens should remain, that they should minister unto him, and execute the office of the priesthood, and bless the people in his name. ^{45:}16 He chose him out of all men living to offer sacrifices to the Lord, incense and a sweet savor, for a memorial, to make reconciliation

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for his people. ^{45:17} He gave unto him his commandments, and authority in the statutes of judgments, that he should teach Jacob the testimonies, and inform Israel in his laws.

^{45:18} Strangers conspired together against him, and maligned him in the wilderness, even the men that were of

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**Dathans, and Abirons
side, and the
congregation of Core
with fury and wrath.**

**^{45:}19 This the Lord
saw and it displeased
him, and in his
wrathful indignation,
were they consumed:
he did wonders upon
them, to consume
them with the fiery
flame. ^{45:}20 But he
made Aaron more
honorable, and gave**

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**him an heritage, and
divided unto him the
first fruits of the
increase, especially
he prepared bread in
abundance: ^{45:}21 For
they eat of the
sacrifices of the Lord,
which he gave unto
him and his seed:
22 Howbeit in the land
of the people he had
no inheritance, neither
had he any portion
among the people, for**

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the Lord himself is his portion and inheritance. ^{45:}23 The third in glory is Phinees the son of Eleazar, because he had zeal in the fear of the Lord, and stood up with good courage of heart, when the people were turned back, and made reconciliation for Israel. ^{45:}24 Therefore was there a covenant

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of peace made with him, that he should be the chief of the sanctuary, and of his people, and that he, and his posterity should have the dignity of the Priesthood for ever.

^{45:}25 According to the covenant made with David son of Jesse, of the tribe of Judah, that the inheritance of the king should be to his

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**posterity alone:
so the inheritance
of Aaron should
also be unto
his seed.**

**45:26 God give
you **wisdom** in your
heart to judge his
people in
righteousness,
that their good
things be not
abolished, and that
their glory may
endure for ever.**

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46:1 Jesus the son of Nave was valiant in the wars, and was the successor of Moses in prophecies, who according to his name was made great for the saving of the elect of God, and taking vengeance of the enemies that rose up against them, that he might set Israel in

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their inheritance.

**46:2 How great glory
got he when he did lift
up his hands, and
stretched out his
sword against the
cities? 46:3 Who
before him so stood to
it? for the Lord
himself brought his
enemies unto him.**

**46:4 Did not the sun go
back by his means?
and was not one day
as long as two?**

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46:5 He called upon the most high Lord, when the enemies pressed upon him on every side, and the great Lord heard him.

46:6 And with hailstones of mighty power he made the battle to fall violently upon the nations, and in the descent (of Bethoron) he destroyed them that resisted, that the

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**nations might know all
their strength,
because he fought in
the sight of the Lord,
and he followed the
mighty one. ⁴⁶:7 In the
time of Moses also, he
did a work of mercy,
he and Caleb the son
of Lephunne, in that
they withstood the
congregation, and
withheld the people
from sin, and
appeased the wicked**

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murmuring. ^{46:8} And of six hundred thousand people on foot, they two were preserved to bring them into the heritage, even unto the land that floweth with milk and honey.

^{46:9} The Lord gave strength also unto Caleb, which remained with him unto his old age, so that he entered upon the high places of the

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**land, and his seed
obtained it for an
heritage. ^{46:}10 That all
the children of Israel
might see that it is
good to follow the
Lord. ^{46:}11 And
concerning the
judges, every one by
name, whose heart
went not a whoring,
nor departed from the
Lord, let their memory
be blessed. ^{46:}12 Let
their bones flourish**

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**out of their place, and
let the name of them
that were honored, be
continued upon their
children. ^{46:}13 Samuel
the prophet of the
Lord, beloved of his
Lord, established a
kingdom, and
anoointed princes over
his people. ^{46:}14 By
the Law of the Lord he
judged the
congregation, and the
Lord had respect unto**

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Jacob. ^{46:}15 By his faithfulness he was found a true prophet, and by his word he was known to be faithful in vision.

^{46:}16 He called upon the mighty Lord, when his enemies pressed upon him on every side, when he offered the sucking lamb.

^{46:}17 And the Lord thundered from heaven, and with a

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**great noise made his
voice to be heard.**

**^{46:}18 And he destroyed
the rulers of the
Tyrians, and all the
princes of the
Philistines. ^{46:}19 And
before his long sleep
he made protestations
in the sight of the
Lord, and his
anoointed, I have not
taken any man's
goods, so much as a
shoe, and no man did**

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accuse him. ⁴⁶:20 And after his death he prophesied, and shewed the king his end, and lift up his voice from the earth in prophesy, to blot out the wickedness of the people.

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⁴⁷:1 And after him rose up Nathan to prophesy in the time of David. ⁴⁷:2 As is the

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fat taken away from the peace offering, so was David chosen out of the children of Israel. ^{47:3} He played with lions as with kids, and with bears as with lambs.

^{47:4} Slew he not a giant when he was yet but young? and did he not take away reproach from the people, when he lifted up his hand with the

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**stone in the sling, and
beat down the
boasting of Goliath?**

**47:5 For he called upon
the most high Lord,
and he gave him
strength in his right
hand to slay that
mighty warrior, and
set up the horn of his
people: 47:6 So the
people honored him
with ten thousands,
and praised him in the
blessings of the Lord,**

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in that he gave him a crown of glory. ^{47:7} For he destroyed the enemies on every side, and brought to naught the Philistines his adversaries, and brake their horn in sunder unto this day. ^{47:8} In all his works he praised the holy one most High, with words of glory, with his whole heart he sung songs, and loved him

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that made him. ^{47:9} He set singers also before the Altar, that by their voices they might make sweet melody, and daily sing praises in their songs.

^{47:10} He beautified their feasts, and set in order the solemn times, until the end, that they might praise his holy Name, and that the Temple might sound from morning.

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47:11 The Lord took away his sins, and exalted his horn for ever: he gave him a covenant of kings, and a throne of glory in Israel.

47:12 After him rose up a wise son, and for his sake he dwelt at large.

47:13 Salomon reigned in a peaceable time, and was honored; for God made all quiet round about him, that

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**he might build an
house in his Name,
and prepare his
Sanctuary for ever.**

**47:14 How wise wast
thou in thy youth, and
as a flood filled with
understanding.**

**47:15 Thy soul covered
the whole earth, and
thou filledst it with
dark parables.**

**47:16 Thy name went
far unto the lands, and
for thy peace thou**

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wast beloved. ^{47:17}

**The countries
marveled at thee for
thy Songs, and
Proverbs, and
Parables, and
interpretations. ^{47:18}**

**By the Name of the
Lord God, which is
called the Lord God of
Israel, thou didst
gather gold as tin, and
didst multiply silver as
lead. ^{47:19} Thou didst
bow thy loins unto**

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**women, and by thy
body thou wast
brought into
subjection. ^{47:}20 Thou
didst stain thy honor,
and pollute thy seed,
so that thou
broughtest wrath
upon thy children, and
wast grieved for thy
folly. ^{47:}21 So the
kingdom was divided,
and out of Ephraim
ruled a rebellious
kingdom. ^{47:}22 But the**

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Lord will never leave off his mercy, neither shall any of his works perish, neither will he abolish the posterity of his elect, and the seed of him that loveth him he will not take away: wherefore he gave a remnant unto Jacob, and out of him a root unto David.

⁴⁷:23 Thus rested Solomon with his fathers, and of his

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**seed he left behind
him Roboam, even the
foolishness of the
people, and one that
had no **understanding**;
who turned away the
people through his
counsel: there was
also Jeroboam the
son of Nabat, who
caused Israel to sin,
and shewed Ephraim
the way of sin: ⁴⁷:24
And their sins were
multiplied**

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**exceedingly, that they
were driven out of the
land. ^{47:}25 For they
sought out all
wickedness, til the
vengeance came
upon them.**

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**^{48:}1 Then stood up
Elias the prophet as
fire, and his word
burnt like a lamp.
^{48:}2 He brought a**

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sore famine upon them, and by his zeal he diminished their number. ^{48:} 3 By the word of the Lord he shut up the heaven, and also three times brought down fire.

^{48:} 4 O Elias, how wast thou honored in thy wondrous deeds! and who may glory like unto thee! ^{48:} 5 Who didst raise up a dead man from death, and

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his soul from the place of the dead by the word of the most High. ^{48:6} Who broughtest kings to destruction, and honorable men from their bed. ^{48:7} Who heardest the rebuke of the Lord in Sinai, and in Horeb the judgment of vengeance. ^{48:8} Who anointed kings to take revenge, and prophets to

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succeed after him:

**48:9 Who wast taken
up in a whirlwind of
fire, and in a chariot of
fiery horses: 48:10 Who
wast ordained for
reproofs in their
times, to pacify the
wrath of the Lord's
judgement before it
brake forth into fury,
and to turn the heart
of the father unto the
son, and to restore the
tribes of Jacob.**

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**48:11 Blessed are they
that saw thee, and
slept in love, for we
shall surely live.**

**48:12 Elias it was, who
was covered with a
whirlwind: and Elizeus
was filled with his
spirit: whilst he lived
he was not moved
with the presence of
any prince, neither
could any bring him
into subjection.**

48:13 No word could

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**overcome him, and
after his death his
body prophesied.**

**^{48:}14 He did wonders
in his life, and at his
death were his works
marvelous. ^{48:}15 For
all this the people
repented not, neither
departed they from
their sins, till they
were spoiled and
caried out of their
land, and were
scattered through all**

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the earth: yet there remained a small people, and a ruler in the house of David:

^{48:}16 Of whom, some did that which was pleasing to God, and some multiplied sins.

^{48:}17 Ezekias fortified his city, and brought in water into the midst thereof: he digged the hard rock with iron, and made wells for waters. ^{48:}18 In his

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**time Sennacherib
came up, and sent
Rabsaces, and lift up
his hand against Sion,
and boasted proudly.**

**^{48:}19 Then trembled
their hearts and
hands, and they were
in pain as women in
travail. ^{48:}20 But they
called upon the Lord
which is merciful, and
stretched out their
hands towards him,
and immediately the**

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**holy One heard them
out of heaven, and
delivered them by the
ministry of Esay.**

**48:21 He smote the
host of the Assyrians,
and his Angel
destroyed them.**

**48:22 For Ezekias had
done the thing that
pleased the Lord, and
was strong in the
ways of David his
father, as Esay the
Prophet, who was**

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**great and faithful in
his vision, had
commanded him.**

**^{48:}23 In his time the
Sun went backward,
and he lengthened the
kings life. ^{48:}24 He saw
by an excellent spirit
what should come to
pass at the last, and
he comforted them
that mourned in Sion.
^{48:}25 He shewed what
should come to pass
for ever, and secret**

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**things or ever
they came.**

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**49:1 The remembrance
of Josias is like the
composition of the
perfume that is made
by the art of the
Apothecary: it is
sweet as honey in all
mouths, and as music
at a banquet of wine.**

49:2 He behaved

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himself uprightly in the conversion of the people, and took away the abominations of iniquity. ^{49:3} He directed his heart unto the Lord, and in the time of the ungodly he established the worship of God.

^{49:4} All, except David and Ezechias, and Josias, were defective: for they forsook the Law of the

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**most High, (even) the
kings of Judah failed:
49:5 Therefore he gave
their power unto
others, and their glory
to a strange nation.**

**49:6 They burnt the
chosen city of the
Sanctuary, and made
the streets desolate
according to the
prophecy of Jeremias:
49:7 For they entreated
him evil, who
nevertheless was a**

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prophet sanctified in his mothers womb, that he might root out and afflict and destroy, and that he might build up also and plant. ^{49:8} It was Ezekiel who saw the glorious vision, which was shewed him upon the chariot of the cherubims. ^{49:9} For he made mention of the enemies under *the figure of* the rain, and

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directed them that went right. ^{49:10} And of the twelve prophets let the memorial be blessed, and let their bones flourish again out of their place: for they comforted Jacob, and delivered them by assured hope.

^{49:11} How shall we magnify Zorobabel? even he was as a signet on the right hand. ^{49:12} So was

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**Jesus the son of
Josedec: who in their
time builded the
house, and set up an
holy Temple to the
Lord, which was
prepared for
everlasting glory.**

**^{49:}13 And among the
elect was Neemias
whose renown is
great, who raised up
for us, the walls that
were fallen, and set up
the gates and the**

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**barres, and raised up
our ruins again.**

**^{49:}14 But upon the
earth was no man
created like Enoch, for
he was taken from the
earth. ^{49:}15 Neither
was there a man born
like unto Joseph, a
governor of his
brethren, a stay of the
people, whose bones
were regarded of the
Lord. ^{49:}16 Sem and
Seth were in great**

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**honor among men,
and so was Adam
above every living
thing in the creation.**

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**50:1 Simon the high
priest the son of
Onias, who in his life
repaired the house
again, and in his days
fortified the Temple:**

**50:2 And by him was
built from the**

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**foundation the double
height, the high
fortress of the wall
about the Temple.**

**^{50:3} In his days the
cistern to receive
water being in
compass as the sea,
was covered with
plates of brass. ^{50:4} He
took care of the
Temple that it should
not fall, and fortified
the city against
besieging. ^{50:5} How**

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was he honored in the midst of the people, in his coming out of the Sanctuary? ^{50:6} He was as the morning star in the midst of a cloud: and as the moon at the full.

^{50:7} As the Sun shining upon the Temple of the most High, and as the rainbow giving light in the bright clouds. ^{50:8} And as the flower of roses in the

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**spring of the year, as
lilies by the rivers of
waters, and as the
branches of the
frankincense tree in
the time of summer.**

**^{50:9} As fire and
incense in the censer,
and as a vessel of
beaten gold set with
all manner of precious
stones, ^{50:10} And as a
fair olive tree budding
forth fruit, and as a
Cypress tree which**

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groweth up to the clouds. ^{50:}11 When he put on the robe of honor, and was clothed with the perfection of glory, when he went up to the holy altar, he made the garment of holiness honorable.

^{50:}12 When he took the portions out of the priests hands, he himself stood by the hearth of the altar,

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**compassed with his
brethren round about,
as a young cedar in
Libanus, and as palm
trees compassed they
him round about.**

**50:13 So were all the
sons of Aaron in their
glory, and the
oblations of the Lord
in their hands, before
all the congregation of
Israel. 50:14 And
finishing the service
at the altar, that he**

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might adorn the offering of the most high Almighty,
50:15 He stretched out his hand to the cup, and poured of the blood of the grape, he poured out at the foot of the altar, a sweet smelling savor unto the most high King of all. 50:16 Then shouted the sons of Aaron, and sounded the silver trumpets, and

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**made a great noise to
be heard, for a
remembrance before
the most High.**

**50:17 Then all the
people together
hasted, and fell down
to the earth upon their
faces to worship their
Lord God almighty the
most High. 50:18 The
singers also sang
praises with their
voices, with great
variety of sounds was**

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there made sweet melody. ^{50:}19 And the people besought the Lord the most High by prayer before him that is merciful, til the solemnity of the Lord was ended, and they had finished his service. ^{50:}20 Then he went down, and lifted up his hands over the whole congregation of the children of Israel, to give the blessing of

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**the Lord with his lips,
and to rejoice in his
name. ^{50:}21 And they
bowed themselves
down to worship the
second time, that they
might receive a
blessing from the
most High. ^{50:}22 Now
therefore bless ye the
God of all, which only
doth wondrous things
every where, which
exalteth our days from
the womb, and dealeth**

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**with us according to
his mercy. ^{50:}23 He
grant us joyfulness of
heart, and that peace
may be in our days in
Israel for ever.**

**^{50:}24 That he would
confirm his mercy
with us, and deliver us
at his time. ^{50:}25 There
be two manner of
nations which my
heart abhoreth, and
the third is no nation.**

^{50:}26 They that sit

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upon the mountain of Samaria, and they that dwell amongst the Philistines, and that foolish people that dwell in Sichem.

50:27 Jesus the son of Sirach of Jerusalem hath written in this book, the instruction of understanding and knowledge, who out of his heart poured forth wisdom.

50:28 Blessed is

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**he that shall be
exercised in
these things,
and he that
layeth them up
in his heart,
shall become**

wise. ^{50:}29 For if he
do them, he shall be
strong to all things,
for the light of the
Lord leadeth him, who

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**giveth wisdom to the
godly: blessed be the
Lord for ever. Amen.
Amen.**

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**51:1 I will thank thee, O
Lord and king, and
praise thee O God my
Saviour, I do give
praise unto thy name:**

**51:2 For thou art my
defender, and helper,
and hast preserved**

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**my body from
destruction, and from
the snare of the
slanderosus tongue,
and from the lips that
forge lies, and hast
been my helper
against mine
adversaries. ⁵¹:3 And
hast delivered me
according to the
multitude of thy
mercys, and
greatness of thy
name, from the teeth**

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**of them that were
ready to devour me,
and out of the hands
of such as sought
after my life, and from
the manifold
afflictions which I had:**

**51:4 From the choking
of fire on every side,
and from the mids of
the fire, which I
kindled not:**

**51:5 From the depth of
the belly of hell, from
an unclean tongue,**

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and from lying words.

**51:6 By an accusation
to the king from an
unrighteous tongue,
my soul drew near
even unto death, my
life was near to the
hell beneath: 51:7 They
compassed me on
every side, and there
was no man to help
me: I looked for the
succor of men, but
there was none:
51:8 Then thought I**

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upon thy mercy, O Lord, and upon thy acts of old, how thou deliverest such as wait for thee, and savest them out of the hands of the enemies:

51:9 Then lifted I up my supplication from the earth, and prayed for deliverance from death. 51:10 I called upon the Lord the father of my Lord, that he would not leave me

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**in the days of my
trouble, and in the
time of the proud
when there was no
help. ⁵¹:11 I will praise
thy Name continually,
and will sing praise
with thanksgiving, and
so my prayer was
heard: ⁵¹:12 For thou
savedst me from
destruction, and
deliverest me from the
evil time: therefore
will I give thanks and**

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**praise thee, and bless
thy Name, O Lord.**

**^{51:13} When I was yet
young, or ever I went
abroad, I desired
wisdom openly in my
prayer. ^{51:14} I prayed
for her before the
Temple, and will seek
her out even to the
end: ^{51:15} Even from
the flower till the
grape was ripe, hath
my heart delighted in
her, my foot went the**

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right way, from my youth up sought I after her. ^{51:16} I bowed down mine ear a little and received her, and gat much learning.

^{51:17} I profited therein, therefore will I ascribe the glory unto him that giveth me **wisdom**:

^{51:18} For I purposed to do after her, and earnestly I followed that which is good, so shall I not be

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confounded: ⁵¹:19 My soul hath wrestled with her, and in my doings I was exact, I stretched forth my hands to the heaven above, and bewailed my ignorances of her.

⁵¹:20 I directed my soul unto her, and I found her in pureness, I have had my heart joined with her from the beginning, therefore shall I not be

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forsaken. ^{51:}21 My heart was troubled in seeking her: therefore have I gotten a good possession. ^{51:}22 The Lord hath given me a tongue for my reward, and I will praise him therewith. ^{51:}23 Draw near unto me you unlearned, and dwell in the house of learning.

^{51:}24 Wherefore are you slow, and what

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say you of these things, seeing your souls are very thirsty?

51:25 I opened my mouth, and said, buy her for yourselves without money.

51:26 Put your neck under the yoke, and let your soul receive instruction, she is hard at hand to find.

51:27 Behold with your eyes, how that I have had but little labor,

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**and have gotten unto
me much rest.**

**51:28 Get learning with
a great some of
money, and get much
gold by her.**

**51:29 Let your soul
rejoice in his mercy,
and be not ashamed
of his praise.**

**51:30 Work your work
betimes, and in his
time he will give you
your reward.**



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